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OF CANADA

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TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23 and 24
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Ordered to be read in all Chapters and preserved

FRASER HAY, M.D.
Grand Z.
165 Victoria Ave. N.,
LISTOWEL, ONTARIO

ROBERT J. HAMILTON
Grand Scribe E.,
TORONTO 1, ONTARIO

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH . . .

FRASER HAY, M.D.

Most Excellent Grand First Principal

Born in Stratford, Ontario, October 3, 1910.

Son of Robert Fraser and Elizabeth Ann Hay.

Married December 31, 1938.

Wife's name Gertrude Lillian.

Educated Stratford and Owen Sound.

Graduated from University of Western Ontario, London, with M.D. degee, June, 1937.

Interned at Harper Hospital, Detroit, Michigan; Fellowship in Pathology at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland, Ohio; resident in surgery at St. Joseph's Hospital, St. Joseph, Missouri.

Religion: member of the Listowel United Church of Canada, of which he is an elder.

Business and civic activities: He is in medical practice in Listowel, which began in October 1940. He is a member of the Canadian Medical Association and a past president of the Listowel Medical Society; past president of the Listowel Kinsmen Club; past deputy governor of Kinsmen Clubs, District No. 2; past president of the Boy Scouts Association, which he held for five years. He is a member of the Listowel Curling Club.

Masonic record:

Life member of Bernard Lodge No. 225, Listowel, where he was initiated, passed and raised November 17, 1942; was Worshipful Master in 1953; a Past District Chairman Masonic Education North Huron District.

He was exalted in Bernard Chapter No. 146 Royal Arch Masons, Listowel, on December 11, 1943, and was installed their First Principal Z. on January 14, 1949; elected Grand Superintendent Huron District No. 6 April 1956.

Grand Third Principal J. in 1959-60.

Grand Second Principal H. in 1961-62.

Elected Grand First Principal Z. in 1963.

He is the Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Argentina near the Grand Chapter of Canada.

He is a life member of Royal City Lodge of Perfection and of Guelph Chapter of Rose Croix, Guelph, of which he is Past Most Wise Sovereign, and of the Moore Sovereign Consistory, Hamilton, Ontario; Honorary Most Excellent Grand President of the Order of High Priesthood of Ontario; life member of St. Elmo Preceptory No. 22, Stratford, Ontario, and presiding Preceptor in 1963; Conestoga Conclave No. 12, Kitchener, Ontario, of the Masonic and Military Orders of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, K.H.S. and St. John the Evangelist; a member of Mocha Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. of London, Ontario, and an elected member of the Divan; member of Royal Order of Jesters; a member and Past President of Pal Mocha Shrine Club; a member of the director's staff of Mocha Temple.

His hobbies are colored photography and travel.

V. Ex. Comp. J. Wilson.....as Grand Junior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. Howard Lane.....Grand D. of C.
Ex. Comp, Roy Pannabecker.....as Grand Organist
V. Ex. Comp. D. S. MacLachlan.....Grand Outer Guard
and the following assisting:
Rt. Ex. Comps. J. W. Arnold, R. H. Dilamarter, G. Brown, G. H. Shannon, F. Scott, R. J. Cocks, W. Holywell, R. Wilson, J. W. Woodland, J. L. Hewson, W. E. Gardner, C. D. M. Van Norman, V. Ex. Comps. W. Leach, J. Turnbull, W. James, F. C. Conley, H. Watson, R. R. Parson, W. J. McCall, H. E. Harrison, Ed Marshall, A. Ottis, G. A. Cooper, Ex. Comps. K. Bellamy, G. Forgan, W. E. Watson, C. Yantzi, S. M. Sweetman, S. J. Taylor, J. Brown, A. K. Poole, A. Lawrence, A. Harris, L. W. Dixon and others.

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Consecrating and Dedicating the Chapter Room for Scarborough Chapter No. 263 Royal Arch Masons of Scarborough, Ontario.

The ceremony being concluded the Most Excellent Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10.15 p.m.

ROBERT J. HAMILTON,
SEAL Grand Scribe E.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

An especial Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was held in the Masonic Temple of Uxbridge, Ontario, on Thursday the thirteenth day of September, A.D. 1962, A. Inv. 2492.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett.....Grand Z. } Grand Council
Rt. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay.....Grand H. } Grand Council
Rt. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven.....Grand J. } Grand Council
Rt. Ex. Comp. O. B. Dickinson.....Grand Superintendent
M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden.....as Grand Treasurer
Rt. Ex. Comp. Rev. S. Ernest Stevenson.....Grand Chaplain
Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson.....as Grand Scribe E.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Reginald Lewis.....as Grand Scribe N.
Rt. Ex. Comp. John Dewar.....Grand Principal Sojourner
Rt. Ex. Comp. Stan Portch.....as Grand Senior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. Roy Mathews.....Grand Junior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. Dr. Howard Lane.....Grand D. of C.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Bernard H. Pammett.....Grand Registrar
V. Ex. Comp. David S. MacLachlan.....Grand Outer Guard
Ex. Comp. A. T. Williams.....as Grand Organist
and the following assisting:
Rt. Ex. Companions J. Arnold, E. B. Robinson, L. G. Parliament, F. Schytte, F. W. D. Welham, G. Brown, A. F. Tannahill, D. Van Norman, G. H. Shannon, L. Jackson, W. Holywell, W. E. Gardner, V. Ex. Companions F. Conley, W. James, W. J. McCall, C. T. Sherry, Ed. Marshall, F. Warren, George Cooper, A. M. Ottis, R. E. Story, C. W. Heard, D. Young, M. Veitch, G. Hall, J. Turnbull, H. S. Biggs, Excellent Companions K. Bellamy, S. Burscough, P. Price, D. Millar, W. A. Smith, W. E. Watson, C. Yantzi, W. Jennings, R. S. Woodward, W. Poole, A. H. Baldwin, H. Hopkinson, E. Myers, C. Feasley, L. M. Nichills, N. R. Hogg, G. Gregg, W. S. Hockberg, J. K. Nable, E. R. Fairman, S. G. Eggington, W. E. Bradbury, C. Gladstone and others.

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9.30 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Dedicating the Chapter Room for Succoth Chapter No. 135 Royal Arch Masons of Uxbridge, Ontario. The ceremony being concluded the Most Excellent Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10.35 p.m.

ROBERT J. HAMILTON,
SEAL Grand Scribe E.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

The One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario held in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Canada, on April 23 and 25, 1963.

M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett.....Grand Z.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay.....Grand H.
Rt. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven.....Grand J.
} Grand Council

PAST GRAND Z's

M. Ex. Comps. John M. Burden, Fred W. Dean, Clarence MacL. Pitts, Alexander G. N. Bradshaw, John L. House, Maurice A. Searle, Bruce H. Smith, Melville S. Gooderham.

R. Ex. Comp. S. Ernest Stevenson.....Grand Chaplain
M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean.....Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Robert J. Hamilton.....Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. John A. McIntyre.....Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. John Dewar.....Grand Principal Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. Robert Bisset.....Grand Senior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. Roy Mathews.....Grand Junior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. Bernard H. Pammett.....Grand Registrar
V. Ex. Comp. Howard Lane.....Grand D. of C.
V. Ex. Comp. D. S. MacLachlan.....Grand Outer Guard

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

R. Ex. Comp. Allan Pye.....St. Clair District No. 1
R. Ex. Comp. John N. Duffy.....London District No. 2
R. Ex. Comp. Robert Lee Hazen.....Wilson District No. 3
R. Ex. Comp. Edgar Bernard Robinson.....Wellington District No. 4
R. Ex. Comp. James Brownlie.....Hamilton District No. 5
R. Ex. Comp. Raymond Robinson.....Huron District No. 6
R. Ex. Comp. Raymond H. Dilamarter.....Niagara District No. 7
R. Ex. Comp. O. B. Dickinson.....Toronto East District No. 8
R. Ex. Comp. Jack W. Arnold.....Toronto West District No. 8A
R. Ex. Comp. Ernest L. Jackson.....Georgian District No. 9
R. Ex. Comp. Lloyd G. Parliament.....Ontario District No. 10
R. Ex. Comp. Frank S. Hamilton.....Prince Edward District No. 11
R. Ex. Comp. A. L. Wheeler.....St. Lawrence District No. 12
R. Ex. Comp. Mervyn P. Morris.....Ottawa District No. 13
R. Ex. Comp. William S. Shaver.....Algoma District No. 14
R. Ex. Comp. Arthur S. Haley.....New Ontario District No. 15
R. Ex. Comp. Harry Charles Coull.....Temiskaming District No. 16

GRAND CHAPTER OPENED

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented by their qualified officers, the One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was opened in Ample Form at 10 a.m.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The following distinguished guests were introduced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies V. Ex. Comp. Howard Lane and assistants:

MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CONNECTICUT
M. Ex. Comp. Laurence G. Farwell, Grand High Priest.

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF IOWA
R. Ex. Comp. Paul Morris, representing the Grand High Priest of Iowa and our Grand Representative.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MANITOBA
V. Ex. Comp. S. E. Solley, a member of our Grand Chapter.

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTES
M. Ex. Comp. Stanley F .Maxwell, Grand High Priest.
R. Ex. Comp. Henry L. Thuotte, Grand Captain of the Hosts.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MICHIGAN
M. Ex. Comp. Harry G. Moak, Grand High Priest.

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK ROYAL ARCH MASONS
M. Ex. Comp. Walter L. Hunt, Junior Past Grand High Priest.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF NOVA SCOTIA
M. Ex. Comp. F. C. Morrison, Grand High Priest.

GRAND HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF PENNYSLVANIA
Comp. Ralph J. Fogle, M. Ex. Grand High Priest.

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
M. Wor. Bro. and Comp. R. W. Treleaven, Grand Master.
R. Wor. Bro. and Comp. Ewart G. Dixon, Grand Secretary.

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF QUEBEC
M. Ex. Comp. A. J. Osgood, Past Grand First Principal and our Grand Representative.

THE SOVEREIGN GREAT PRIORY OF CANADA OF THE UNITED ORDERS OF THE TEMPLE AND MALTA
M. Em. and V. Ex. Comp. E. Gordon Shafter, Supreme Grand Master.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS IN VIRGINIA
M. Ex. Comp. Guy A. Fuller, Grand High Priest.

THE MASONIC & MILITARY ORDER OF KNIGHTS OF THE RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE
M. Ill. and R. Ex. Comp. Harold B. Porter, Grand Master.

GRAND COUNCIL OF THE ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD OF ONTARIO
M. Ex. and Rt. Ex. Comp. Robert W. E. McFadden, Grand President.

The Grand First Principal Charles W. Emmett extended a warm, friendly and cordial welcome to all his guests. He also announced: "All Royal Arch Masons, in good standing and properly vouched for, will be made welcome during the Convocation."

MEMORIAL SERVICE

By the Grand Chaplain R. Ex. Comp. Rev. S. Ernest Stevenson

Organist: Ex. Comp. Roy Pannabecker

The delegates joined in singing "God Save the Queen," "My Country Tis of Thee" and "O God, Our Help in Ages Past."

INVOCATION

Oh, most wonderful and Ineffable God, Who art Supreme in all the Universe, yet most gracious and compassionate to all Thy children, we believe that Thou dost receive, with warm love and blessing, our constant use of every symbol of Thy Most Holy Name: by which we express our knowledge, our respect and our love to Thee; we now offer our abundant and glorious faith in Thy Supreme Person and Being; in the perfection

and harmony of Thy Being; and in Thy great purposes, which marvellously contain the great destiny of every believing and obedient soul.

We humbly implore Thy blessing on this our present Grand Convocation, so that we may be in harmonious fellowship and in conformity with Thy perfect will for ourselves and in the work of this Grand Chapter.

Confirm the labors of those who have faithfully fulfilled their place of leadership, and prepare the souls of those devoted men who shall in turn accept such responsibility.

All this we seek in Thy Most Holy Name. Amen.

THE ULTIMATE SALVATION

Ps. 3: 8—"Salvation belongeth unto the Lord; Thy blessing is upon Thy people."

The sweet singer has learned the lesson of history: without God the nation cannot live.

But in Ps. 121 he swings to personal salvation—"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help; my help cometh from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." Envision for yourself the man of church and state and Masonry, whose face has been toward the great achievements of God, who now serves the Lord, or who has gone to enter the eternal temple, deeply beloved, respected and tenderly remembered. Such men have learned great Truth, and added strength and dignity; and being on God's side, have lived with trust and confidence, knowing that God's creative power is matched by His power to sustain His own. Such men know the grand lesson, expressed by Daniel Webster—"The greatest thought that ever came to me was my personal responsibility to Almighty God."

These are they to whom has been given, like the Psalmist, to journey with the strength God has given the mountains; to reach beyond the commonplace; to stand always in that limitless Temple of perfect beauty, wherein we sense the Holy One, the Most High, beyond and above the hills; and finally to come to the end of life, where we lay down our strength and achievements, to rest our final destiny in the knowledge that, as Jeremiah said, "Truly in the Lord our God is the Salvation of Israel." Yes, truly, of all His own.

Then from Is. 49: 3—"Thou art my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified." Each year adds to the list of glorious ones, for whom the little splendours of this life have been exchanged for the greater glories of Heaven.

"Then I said, I have spent my strength for naught, and in vain; yet surely my judgment is with the Lord, and my work with my God." True Companions, those now made perfect under the mighty Arch of eternal life, and the faithful remainder, humbly face, or have faced, the great challenges of life and the unfinished work of humanity beyond their reach. Yet we are comforted, because only one MAN has been able to say, "It is finished."

Let us remember our dear and great Companions; following after in the spirit of one who said, "If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we build temples, they shall crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal souls, if we imbue them with just principles of action, with fear of wrong and love of right, we engrave something which no time can obliterate, and which will brighten and brighten through all eternity.

PRAYER

All-wise and everloving Being, Most High in Person and Glory; yet the utmost in compassionate Fatherhood, Thou hast glorified Thyself in the lives of those we no longer see: who, having sought from Thy hand the timber and the designs to build a worthy Temple within their soul, and have made those temples strong by founding them on faith, have

made them wondrously beautiful by virtue and fraternity: we leave them in Thy continuing care.

In love may joyful memories abound; in emulation of their accomplished good, may we truly memorialize them; so that it may be said of us, as of them—

"Our echoes roll from soul to soul,
And grow forever and forever."

Praise be to Thy Most Holy Name for the goodness Thou hast created and established upon the earth, in the hearts of noble men, to be enshrined in Heaven forever. Amen.

Closing hymn, "Abide With Me."

PRESENTATION OF PAST GRAND Z's

The Grand Z. Most Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett requested the Grand D. of C., V. Ex. Comp. Dr. Howard Lane, to present the Past Grand Z's. The following were present:

M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, Q.C., 1943-44.
M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean, 1947-48.
M. Ex. Comp. Clarence MacL. Pitts, 1949-50.
M. Ex. Comp. Alexander G. N. Bradshaw, 1951-52.
M. Ex. Comp. John L. House, 1955-56.
M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, 1957-58.
M. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith, 1959-60.
M. Ex. Comp. Melville S. Gooderham, 1957 Honorary.

The Grand First Principal Charles W. Emmett extended a very sincere and cordial welcome to the Past Grand Z's, after which Grand Honors were accorded.

TORONTO DISTRICTS 8 AND 8A ADDRESS OF WELCOME

To the Most Ex. the Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. Charles William Emmett, officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, distinguished guests from sister jurisdictions in Canada and the United States, representatives from other Masonic bodies and Companions.

My colleague, Rt. Ex. Comp. J. W. Arnold, and I, on behalf of the first principals here assembled, their officers and members of the twenty-nine constituent Chapters comprising the 4,206 Royal Arch Masons in Metropolitan Toronto and the two Toronto districts 8 and 8A have the privilege and the very great pleasure of extending to you a sincere and most cordial welcome to this the One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convocation of our Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

We are fully conscious of the fact that we are faced with difficult and unsettled times and are equally cognizant of the honorable and most important place that the Masonic order has had in the past and could and we hope will have in the better shaping of the future, not only within the confines of this jurisdiction but in the troubled world. We hope and pray that your deliberations will be carried out in an atmosphere of peace and harmony with profit and pleasure to all.

M. Ex. Sir, at the joint reception recently tendered you by our two Toronto districts we had the opportunity and very great pleasure in presenting to you an illuminated address, signed by the first principals of 1962 and 1963 and ourselves. Anything further that we might say now would be a repetition of what we said on that happy occasion. The high esteem in which you are held in these two districts is apparent. Your dignity, your industry and your leadership have not only maintained but enhanced the reputation of Royal Arch Masonry in the districts. Your direction in the matter of Masonic instruction has already done much to assure uniformity in the work and the prosperity of the Royal Craft.

M. Ex. Sir, your term of office as head of this Grand Chapter is

about at an end. We wish for you good health and happiness and hope that you will long be spared to enjoy the fellowship of your companions and that we may be able to have the benefit of your valued counsel at our deliberations. May the God of Peace and Love be with you this Convocation and always and prosper your work.

O. B. DICKINSON,
Grand Superintendent Toronto East District No. 8

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Grand Scribe E. commenced reading the minutes of the Proceedings of the One Hundred and Fourth Annual Convocation held in the city of Toronto, when it was moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven:

Resolved—"That as the Proceedings of the last Annual Convocation, held Tuesday and Wednesday, April 10 and 11, 1962, have been printed and copies thereof sent to all the Chapters in this Jurisdiction, the recorded minutes be considered as read and the same is now confirmed."

ORDER OF BUSINESS

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, and seconded by R. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven, and—

Resolved—"That the order of business of this Grand Convocation be changed at the discretion of the Grand Z."

COMMITTEE OF CREDENTIALS

R. Ex. Comp. James W. Woodland, chairman of the Credentials Committee, reported that there are 158 warranted Chapters on the roll of Grand Chapter of which 149 Chapters were represented by the following:

Chapter No.

1—W. H. Gummer, Proxy; L. N. Armstrong, R. H. Seymour, R. G. Willis, P.Z's.
2—J. W. Jarvie, Z.; J. Dewar, E. M. Marshall, D. Horne, R. Cocks, P.Z's.
3—F. Aldous, Z.; R. Coon, W. H. Parker, P.Z's.
4—K. L. Bellamy, Z.; O. B. Dickinson, A. Lawrence, H. J. McCaw, A. A. Kitchen, V. L. Mutton, William L. Lankin, G. G. Sheppard, H. B. Pickrell, P.Z's.
5—J. C. Ericksson, Z.; J. A. Kennedy, P.Z.
6—L. R. Sweet, Z.; F. Scott, J. Brownlie, C. S. King, S. J. Quiney, P.Z's.
7—W. J. Throop, Z.; E. C. Wood, H. T. Adams, Y. Bushell, C. E. Meyers, L. E. Vaughan, P.Z's.
8—L. Roberts, Z.; G. Plumpton, H.; A. Modlin, J.; F. J. Johnson, William Dobinson, J. Keillor, S. Burscough, A. Otis, G. McConnell, William Holywell, P.Z's.
15—L. C. Ewener Proxy; W. J. Southcombe, B. W. Street, H. R. Marriott, P.Z's.
16—C. Compton, Proxy; L. Gillespie, C. Vickers, P.Z's.
18—J. Meckbach, Z.; L. C. Currah, H.; L. B. Shipp, J.; R. B. Town, J. Hibner, A. Wishart, G. L. Nutt, E. A. Thurlow, D. A. Ward, G. K. Mansell, P.Z's.
19—D. McLean, Z.; E. Greer, J.; F. Lottridge, J. Hudson, L. McMann, P.Z's.
20—R. W. McFadden, Proxy.
22—G. R. Drummond, P.Z.
23—W. J. Thompson, Z.; G. R. Munn, H.; W. S. Johnston, P.Z.
24—G. Kiloh, Z.; G. Smith, W. H. Reed, W. Kidnew, J. F. Adamson, G. Atkins, P.Z's.

26—J. Birch, Z.; G. Leeman, J.; H. Burke, Proxy; G. L. Thompson, J. A. Payton, N. M. Sprague, P.Z's.
27—N. T. Holden, Z.; J. A. Kilsby, B. M. Conron, F. C. Melton, D. McIntyre, P.Z's.
28—R. H. McKelvie, Z.; G. Magee, J.; A. G. Coppin, N. W. Purdy, J. R. Wheeler, W. L. Pierson, H. A. Suddard, D. S. Jamieson, P.Z's.
30—J. Westbrook, Z.; William Treble, H.; C. Laithwaite, Proxy; R. Bisset, W. H. Roope, H. Hill, P.Z's.
31—W. T. Havery, Z.; F. Greatrix, P.Z.
32—J. Shepherd, Z.; C. Ackert, D. J. Marriott, T. Forrester, J. E. Goatley, G. C. Walker, P.Z's.
34—R. A. Stewart, F. D. Shannon, P.Z's.
35—A. F. Foote, Z.; D. McKeag, H.; T. R. Tompkins, J.; P. Price, J. E. Sandison, P.Z's.
36—R. K. Burns, Z.; J. Girven, F. M. Warren, R. Mathews, J. W. Morrison, D. Miller, B. H. Pammett, W. E. Bannon, A. W. Watkins, E. W. Edmondson, P.Z's.
37—W. J. Lawrence, Z.; E. J. McKeever, L. Bray, C. P. McElroy, D. C. Davey, H. Inch, W. H. Meldrum, E. J. Barrowclough, P.Z's.
40—E. Wilson, Z.; G. E. Milner, H.; O. T. Flint, R. Robertson, PZ's.
41—C. R. Stringer, Proxy; I. D. Baskett, H. R. Nagle, P.Z's.
44—B. Huyck, Z.; C. G. Sexsmith, H.; L. Wilbraham, J.; A. V. Roy, T. K. Hill, J. H. Ramsay, P.Z's.
45—R. Chapman, Z.; A. Wolfraim, P.Z.
46—C. E. Dunseith, Z.; H. Sparling, D. C. White, D. Bradford, P.Z's.
47—A. Brown, Z.
48—William Baker, Z.; D. J. Hare, H.; C. G. Wheatley, J.; A. W. Robertson, P.Z.
53—William McKenna, Z.; N. White, J.; M. J. Karr, P.Z.
54—H. C. Evans, Z.; H. Fackerell, J.; F. O. Fisher, D. J. Pearce, V. Pow, T. F. A. Longthorne, P.Z's.
55—E. Staines, Z.; C. A. Larson, J. H. Hutchinson, I. B. Collard, W. E. Brown, P.Z's.
56—P. Cadesky, Z.; R. V. Garbutt, P.Z.
57—L. D. Winn, Proxy, P.Z.
59—G. H. Gilmour, Proxy, P.Z.
62—H. B. Wilkinson, Z.; D. Filsinger, H.; H. J. Sinclair, J. S. Shields, Joseph Shields, J. M. Hood, G. Cooper, W. J. Grierson, D. B. Young, H. G. Gaskon, C. M. Platten, A. H. Gray, P.Z's.
63—G. B. Urquhart, Z.; D. P. MacKay, J.; J. W. McFadyen, P.Z.
64—E. A. Lee, Z.; C. E. Griffin, R. H. Dilamarter, P.Z's.
65—W. A. Fry, Z.; M. S. Gooderham, H. B. Lane, J. F. Bochm, P.Z's.
66—J. W. Crich, A. Matheson, J. Bach, P.Z's.
67—F. B. Johnson, Proxy; J. F. Edwards, D. Cox, L. E. Morphy, P.Z's.
68—C. B. Glover, Z.
69—A. Jarvis, L. Colling, P.Z's.
71—H. Clements, H.; R. McCagherty, Proxy.
72—W. Warren, Proxy, P.Z.; B. Woodbeck, P.Z.
73—H. Smith, Z.; H. Hunter, H.; A. Overfield, P. Lalonde, F. Yardley, G. Devereux, P.Z's.
75—F. Chisholm, H.; G. MacIntosh, J.; R. J. Hamilton, R. C. Anderson, C. Smillie, W. T. Randall, E. Zimmerman, W. H. Smellie, E. Harrop, J. C. Cunningham, C. G. Lewingston, P.Z's.
76—H. Murray, H.; C. H. Sheppard, N. Farrington, A. G. Ness, C. L. Dill, G. E. French, P.Z's.
77—A. Lee, Z.; J. Hutton, H.; F. Kerr, J.; C. W. Emmett, J. Burden, J. W. Woodland, J. A. Prince, J. E. Jenkins, G. W. Elms. F. P. Wratten, J. Dobson, C. Aikens, W. F. Damp, P. Helm, William Shearer, H. Hopkinson, A. O. Cook, S. E. Solley, E. K. Hogaboom, M. S. Clark, A. Green, P.Z's.

78—W. Wein, Proxy; C. Hodgins, P.Z's.
79—W. A. Smith, Z.; J. Hearn, L. L. Querie, A. J. Burton, A. J. R. Moxon, A. E. O'Halloran, A. C. Cook, W. L. Hyatt, P.Z's.
80—C. E. Hillman, Z.; H. B. Porter, P.Z.
81—R. McKie, H.; H. P. Grant, Proxy; B. Damude, L. Matlock, P.Z's.
82—T. H. Hill, Z.; W. H. Cheetam, P.Z.
83—R. G. Gillespie, Z.; H. J. Reeve, H.; D. M. VanNorman, W. E. Watson, A. W. Gillespie, P.Z's.
84—N. Keating, Z.; L. Cousins, H.; C. Thomas, J.; A. Corrigan, A. Robertson, S. Scott, J. Muir, P.Z's.
88—E. H. Logan, Proxy; S. E. Stevenson, H. M. Dunlop, D. J. McCaugharin, P.Z's.
90—A. Barclay, P.Z.
91—E. J. Brown, Z.; R. Coleman, J.; A. F. Tannahill, C. Howes, L. W. L. Dixon, William Hillis, A. Geary, H. J. Nelson, J. Bailey, A. A. Kitchen, P.Z's.
94—G. McCombe, Proxy; L. A. Gilkinson, A. Wilson, P.Z's.
95—A. F. Killah, Z.; George Shute, W. B. Walker, P.Z's.
102—V. Bizley, Z.; H. W. Walker, P.Z.
103—A. S. Haley, Proxy; H. E. Ward, P.Z.
104—H. Secord, Z.; S. R. Amos, H.; G. K. Brown, Proxy; S. Portch, C. T. Sherry, P.Z's.
110—J. Doidge, Z.; H. S. Ewing, W. J. Newman, P.Z's.
113—W. C. Black, Z.; H. E. Headd, P.Z.
114—H. W. Mayhew, M. A. McKay, P.Z's.
115—W. Byard, Z.; J. L. Churchill, P.Z's.
116—J. C. Saunders, Z.; M. P. Morris, W. W. Whyte, W. H. Edwards, A. A. Wright, P.Z's.
117—E. E. Brown, Z.; H. Shannon, G. Brary, A. C. Mason, W. E. James, A. H. Welker, J. W. Stoner, W. N. Hemphill, B. M. McNaughton, J. W. Leach, W. R. Cooper, G. Carthy, T. Williams, F. Hoodless, I. Marshall, P.Z's.
119—H. G. Overholt, Z.; H. F. Mills, H.; J. A. McIntyre, A. S. H. Cree, R. A. Willett, W. J. Stevenson, D. A. Robinson, F. Hilton, G. Bloomfield, P.Z's.
129—J. A. McDonald, Z.; W. H. Ceoros, H.; O. E. Ovens, J.; R. Robinson, F. Lannin, E. J. Hingst, E. H. Robinson, P.Z's.
130—C. Manning, Z.; F. Wrightson, P.Z.
132—J. S. Thomas, Z.; A. L. Wheller, W. G. Tryon, F. H. Sceviour, P.Z's.
133—F. Fairfield, Z.; J. J. Carpenter, G. A. Phillips, P.Z's.
134—L. G. Parliament, C. E. McPhail, P.Z's.
135—C. G. Armstrong, P.Z.
138—G. T. Ferguson, Z.; G. H. Fillingham, H.; G. Gunn, J.; R. Pannabecker, E. E. Dobson, P. James, B. W. Spencer, H. O. Hughes, E. H. Hughes, H. W. Clark, R. R. Parsons, C. V. Elliott, C. E. Wells, R. F. Lomas, P.Z's.
140—W. B. Stasiv, Z.; J. E. Forester, W. S. Shaver, D. Harcus, P.Z's.
143—N. M. McLeod, Z.
144—F. Lindsey, Z.; F. S. Hamilton, P.Z.
145—M. A. Dobson, Z.; C. F. Howe, H.; T. H. W. Salmon, J.; M. A. Searle, R. J. Lewis, W. E. Pomeroy, R. S. Woodward, D. W. Rogers, A. J. Martin, T. R. Tomplins, E. E. Reid, W. C. Johnston, J. Rainey, I. C. Skudder, B. F. Forward, L. B. Morrison, J. R. Legecy, B. K. Bell, W. J. Johnston, R. A. Gibson, P.Z's.
146—J. S. Gee, Z.; E. Johnston, H.; F. Hay, J. A. Wilson, P.Z's.
149—J. O. Sundin, Proxy, P.Z.
150—W. P. Dicks, Z.; T. W. I. Gibson, H.; A. G. Bradshaw, M. A. Doupe, A. W. Burgess, D. A. McDonald, J. W. Carson, T. Welch. J. N. Duffy, P.Z's.
151—V. Poland, Z.; L. C. Phillips, H.; M. Colin, J.

152—W. Smith, Proxy, P.Z.
153—E. K. Rupert, J. Burnett, P.Z's.
155—J. D. Calder, Z.; A. Martin, P.Z.
161—T. C. Lloyd, Proxy, P.Z.
163—R. W. Baxter, Z.; C. F. Madill, H.; F. Dickins, J.; D. C. Armstrong, E. R. Ansell, E. W. Bath, A. T. Williams, W. L. Brown, F. F. Mills, E. E. Ritcey, F. Spracklin, P.Z's.
164—M. X. Thompson, Z.
167—C. P. Eagle, Proxy; R. R. Wilson, P.Z's.
168—W. H. Brady, Proxy; T. H. Burgis, Joseph Poulton, P.Z's.
169—D. Boyd, Z.; H. C. Coull, P.Z.
175—F. W. Dean, Proxy; J. R. Dunbar, E. Hudson, P.Z's.
184—C. A. Howard, Z.; T. McHugh, H.; W. M. Rostron, L. A. Mann, P.Z's.
195—W. B. Cannon, Z.; M. Clark, H.; J. Archdekin, H. Spratt, H. McClure, C. Cheyne, P.Z's.
198—W. L. Patterson, H.; D. J. Cossey, J.; A. J. McKensie, H. G. Graham, P.Z's.
205—J. A. Bell, Z.; H. Kirkby, H.; D. Hill, J.; G. J. Hall, H. Ince, C. R. Scott, P.Z's.
210—H. J. Thomas, Z.
212—I. M. Ingles, Z.; M. Gottlieb, S. Perlman, A. Fox, S. Sword, M. Cooper, P.Z's.
213—W. E. Clement, Z.
214—J. C. Smith, Proxy; R. McLean, P.Z's.
215—D. C. Reedie, Z.; W. Angst, P.Z.
217—C. C. Kerr, Z.; E. L. Coomber, H.; E. H. Reid, J.; J. L. House, A. Baldwin, W. J. Raeburn, W. Wyllie, J. Turnbull, W. J. Webber, C. R. Kincaid, H. A. F. Schytte, J. Burton, A. O. Murray, J. A. Mackie, G. W. McRae, P.Z's.
218—H. Newell, Z.; A. Maudsley, J.; E. B. Robinson, W. Newell, P.Z's.
219—H. D. McLauchlan, Z.; C. Bryson, J.; R. A. Boddy, H. L. Kesteven, R. E. Story, L. J. Colling, C. H. Kesteven, P. K. Taylor, S. J. Taylor, D. S. MacLachlan, G. Anthony, J. S. Bremner, G. Sheard, P.Z's.
220—H. J. Rothwell, Z.; P. McGregor, H.; A. Sharpe, J. H. Dickin, W. H. Carr, G. H. Horner, A. R. McDougall, G. H. Rothwell, W. M. Creech, R. N. Carr, W. E. Leuty, P.Z's.
221—A. Dawson, Z.; W. E. Crearer, H.; L. Armstrong, J. N. Edwards, P.Z's.
222—A. T. Aldred, Z.; C. M. Pitts, W. C. Carson, W. C. Pescod, P.Z's.
223—A. E. Righton, Proxy; H. Jones, P.Z's.
224—J. A. Atkinson, Proxy; J. S. Drysdale, H. D. Falkiner, W. H. Pace, P.Z's.
225—J. C. Day, J. Broadfoot, F. Welham, W. Pendelton, J. McFadden, J. T. Wallace, P.Z's.
226—L. V. Wood, Proxy, P.Z.
227—C. Guest, H.; B. H. Smith, A. Pierson, C. McMullen, J. Williams, L. A. Coutermanche, P.Z's.
230—T. W. McFarlane, H.; J. W. Arnold, G. Jackson, R. Young, K. Denison, C. M. Lobban, P.Z's.
231—N. E. Ware, Z.; D. B. Ware, H.; J. W. Callaghan, J.; A. E. Johnson, L. A. Stiver, J. M. Yates, W. J. Bain, E. C. Shunk, D. Calder, J. Woodland, P.Z's.
232—W. H. Anderson, Proxy; F. W. Thom, W. F. Roberts, P.Z's.
233—G. H. Howard, Z.; J. Kline, J.; W. E. Gardiner, E. Burrell, J. Jurns, G. R. Armstrong, D. Wilson, P.Z's.
234—F. Wilson, J. Addy, L. Tracy, S. Penrice, P.Z's.
235—H. Foote, Z.; R. H. B. Cook, F. Hare, P.Z's.
236—G. Cruickshank, Z.; F. Brown, E. Burke, R. Lang, J. Aldridge, P.Z's.

238—L. Adilman, Z.; J. Hessey, H.; B. Scott, W. A. Thompson, W. Chapman, A. V. Sedgwick, E. W. Mitchell, W. L. Davies, L. E. Fortner, H. C. Fleming, G. Hanna, P.Z's.
239—E. Sole, Z.; R. Nudds, P.Z.
241—F. P. Oliver, Z.; W. Bailey, H.; D. Johnston, J.;! O. R. Roberts, P. W. Rogers, E. Pickles, H. S. Biggs, H. A. Parkes, A. W. Fox, M. A. Searle, P.Z's.
242—E. K. Daniel, Z.
243—A. Brook, Z.; I. A. Lee, E. Boden, R. Beauxberry, P.Z's.
245—G. J. Weber, Z.; G. W. Armstrong, F. Barton, A. Jefkins, W. Carry, P.Z's.
246—D. C. Danby, Z.; A. F. Nisbet Jr., J. W. Woodland, A. F. Nisbet, S. Alexander, J. M. Bremner, F. S. Fordham, M. A. Searle, H. E. Harrison, R. N. Taylor, P.Z's.
247—R. C. Neely, Z.; G. Tucker, L. J. Gent, T. E. Porter, P.Z's.
249—W. Teeple, Z.; H. G. Freeman, P.Z.
250—D. Cooper, Z.; A. Pye, C. Fotheringham, P.Z's.
251—J. Robb, Z.; K. Griffin, R. S. Rood, P.Z's.
252—H. Bouck, Z.; J. H. Coleman, A. J. Facer, H. Russell, P.Z's.
253—W. C. McNeilly, R. L. Hazen, P.Z's.
254—C. Fotheringham, P.Z.
255—C. Scott, Z.; F. Rubie, J.; C. H. Swatridge, W. T. Jeffery, W. G. Kelly, D. J. Hillier, M. Hicks, P.Z's.
257—G. Shute, Proxy, P.Z.
258—F. Warne, Z.; J. J. Mahaffey, P.Z.
259—L. J. O. Sundin, Proxy; M. A. Searle, P.Z's.
260—W. A. McKague, W. R. Carr, H. B. Banks, A. R. McDougall, M. A. Searle, W. A. Hamilton, W. F. Leuty, P.Z's.
261—F. C. Powell, Z.; S. M. Jackson, H.; E. L. Jackson, G. E. Tait, P.Z's.
262—R. J. Cocks, Z.; J. Brownlie, R.; F. Scott, P.Z.
263—H. F. Myers, Z.; E. E. Reid, G. A. Cooper, W. J. Grierson, B. K. Bell, P.Z's.

The following Chapters were not represented: McCallum, No. 29; Granite, No. 61; Beaver, No. 74; St. John's, No. 112; Amabel, No. 131; Lucknow, No. 147; St. John's, No. 148; Smithville, No. 240; Dochert, No. 248.

149 Chapters represented
9 Chapters not represented
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There were 701 registered delegates having a total vote of 915.
All of which is fraternally submitted.

JAMES W. WOODLAND, Chairman
ARTHUR E. JOHNSON, Vice-Chairman

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp, Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Woodland, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Credentials be received and adopted.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Most Excellent the Grand Z. directed the Grand Scribe E. to call the roll of representatives of sister jurisdictions when they assembled before the Altar. The following Grand Representatives answered their names:

Argentina—Fraser Hay
Arkansas—J. Howard Coleman
California—Don Calder
Connecticut—Noble Armstrong

District of Columbia—Bruce H. Smith
Florida—Melville S. Gooderham
Illinois—James W. Woodland
Iowa—Carroll E. Griffin
Ireland—Robert W. E. McFadden
Kentucky—Rev. A. S. H. Cree
Louisiana—Joseph Carson
Michigan—Fred W. Dean
Minnesota—F. Carol Ackert
Montana—David Harcus
Nebraska—A. V. Roy
Nevada—Victor L. Mutton
New Hampshire—Norman M. Sprague
New Jersey—G. Harold Shannon
New Mexico—James A. Kennedy
New South Wales—Fred J. Johnson
New York—John M. Burden
North Carolina—Benjamin S. Scott
North Dakota—Leslie J. Colling
Nova Scotia—Clarence MacL. Pitts
Ohio—Alexander G. N. Bradshaw
Oklahoma—Andrew F. Tannahill
Pennsylvania—John L. House
Philippines—Charles W. Emmett
Quebec—Maurice A. Searle
Saskatchewan—James E. Girven
South Dakota—J. C. Day
Switzerland—L. B. Morrison
Tennessee—Charles Fotheringham
Texas—Allan C. Mason
Utah—Lloyd B. Gillespie
Victoria—Alex Wishart
Washington—Reginald J. Lewis
West Australia—E. C. Wood
West Virginia—H. A. Fred Schytte.
Wisconsin—Samuel Perlman
Wyoming—George Shute

Most Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett extended a warm welcome to the representatives and asked them to make contact with their respective Grand Chapters and thus strengthen the bond of our fraternal union with our sister jurisdictions. Grand Honors were given.

GRAND Z's. ADDRESS

To the Officers and Companions of the Most Excellent The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

My Companions:

In submitting for your consideration and approval this my final report as your Grand First Principal, may I express once again, our great pleasure in having present with us this morning, not only our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother and Companion Justice R. W. Treleaven, our Highly Esteemed Grand Secretary, Rt. Worshipful Brother and Companion Ewart Dixon, M.C., Q.C., but so many distinguished Grand First Principals and representatives of other Masonic Bodies, whose fraternal relationship we have prized for so many years, and whose constant attendance and support has meant so very much to our Grand Chapter.

Once more, it is our pleasure to meet in this fair City of Toronto, the Capital of Ontario, and to be the recipients, not only of their friendly hospitality, the great comfort and convenience their hotels afford, but acknowledge with sincere appreciation the cordial invitation extended to our Grand Chapter by the Principals' Association of Toronto Districts 8 and 8A. We would at this time, be most negligent in our responsibility, if we did not record our sincere appreciation to the Principals' Association in particular, and the Companions in general, for their constant help and support, which contributes in a great measure to the success of our Annual Convocation.

It is a pleasure, as your Grand First Principal to record at this time, the high esteem our Grand Chapter is held in, by the other great bodies of the Masonic Family. This fraternal affection is most evident on every occasion your Grand First Principal travels into a foreign jurisdiction or makes a fraternal visit.

While the term of a Grand First Principal covers a period of two years, which may at the offset appear a reasonable length of time to hold office, I am sure my worthy predecessors will agree with me when I express the opinion that, to do justice to this high honor and accomplish all that one would like to do, the time at his disposal is all too short.

You will recall when I assumed this important office just two years ago, I presented a programme which had the approval of your Grand Council and of which I made an interim report just

one year ago. May I now respectfully submit for your approval the present status of our original programme.

With reference to the records in the office of Grand Chapter versus the records of the respective Chapters, I am pleased to advise that all Chapters who had raised a question relative to the correctness of the records in Grand Chapter office versus their own, have all been studied and are now all in accord. In addition, a great many Chapters whose records were found not in accord were, by mutual co-operation, corrected. With this heavy task now behind us, it is pleasing to report, we can now submit through the Grand Scribe E. and the Membership Chairman statistical reports on our Membership which are authentic.

Rt. Ex. Companion Stanley Portch, Chairman of the Membership Committee will cover in his report a detailed breakdown of the Chapters which were reviewed during 1962 and the adjustments found necessary.

EQUIPMENT (Grand Chapter Office)

It has become quite evident to the Members of the Grand Council during the past two years, while working very closely with the office of Grand Chapter, that steps must be taken to institute a more modern method of officer procedure and replace the antiquated procedure which has proven not only cumbersome, but, to say the least far from efficient in making available pertinent information when requested by the various Chapters from time to time, without delay. I would, therefore, respectfully recommend to the incoming Grand First Principal, that a Committee be appointed to work with the Grand Scribe E. and study the problem in question and report their findings to the Grand First Principal.

MASONIC INSTRUCTION

Your Grand Council, having appraised the great responsibility our Grand Chapter holds not only in maintaining, but conveying the great teachings of the Principals of Capitulary Masonry to Master Masons, dedicated themselves to an immediate responsibility of bringing to all the Companions of our great jurisdiction and in particular to the Officers, a new awareness of their responsibilities, and in doing so, have set a policy where an improvement in the work, a greater efficiency in the administration of a Chapter could be accomplished. To emphasize the importance of these two factors, we have forcibly reminded our Chapters that while numerical strength may have its advantages, for the present we were more concerned in strengthening the loyalty

of our present Members and in the exaltation of new members concern ourselves with the important task of making true ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Just one year ago your Grand First Principal, on behalf of the Grand Council, officially launched the Masonic Instruction Committee which we pledged two years ago to establish. During the past year this committee under the dynamic leadership of Rt. Ex. Companion Andrew F. Tannahill, General Chairman, in co-operation with his two assistants Rt. Ex. Comp. F. J. Johnston, Vice-Chairman, and Wm. Gardner, The Grand Lecturer, have given unstintingly of their time and talents to implement a programme of Instruction. The obvious success of this work is most evident in the great number of questions that continually flow in to this Committee from the district Chairman, which by an analysis, reflect without question a new awareness and enthusiasm which has been generated throughout the districts by dynamic leadership of the Instruction Committee.

Having a very personal interest in this work and an awareness of the magnitude of the task, I feel quite inadequate in expressing to Rt. Ex. Comp. Tannahill, not only my personal thanks and appreciation for the tremendous task he has done and is continuing to do, but the thanks and appreciation of our Grand Chapter. To the Chairman and all Members of this committee, I express our sincere appreciation.

It is only fair to report, that in the opinion of your Grand Council the attendance, enthusiasm and class of work now reflected throughout our respective districts is at the highest peak we have enjoyed for a number of years and every indicaion points to a strong and healthy immediate future.

NECROLOGY

Once again our thoughts turn back to the great loss we must bear year after year in the passing of those near and dear to us. Our Grand Chapter, indeed our very existence depends so very much on the friends we have. And their loss should forcibly remind us of the heritage we have inherited and the ever pressing challenge of maintaining the high ideals they established for us.

It is with a great sense of loss that I must report at this time the recent passing of a great Mason and a wonderful friend of this Grand Chapter in the person of Most Ex. Comp. Arthur Miller, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, and our Grand Representative. His presence at our annual convocation will be missed so very much by those who knew and loved him for what he was.

THE BUILDERS

All are architects of Fate,
Working in these walls of Time;
Some with massive deeds and great,
Some with ornaments of rhyme.

Nothing useless is, or low;
Each thing in its place is best;
And what seems but idle show
Strengthens and supports the rest.

For the structure that we raise,
Time is with materials filled;
Our todays and yesterdays
Are the blocks with which we build.

Truly shape and fashion these;
Leave no yawning gaps between;
Think not, because no man sees,
Such things will remain unseen.

In the elder days of Art,
Builders wrought with greatest care
Each minute and unseen part;
For the Gods see everywhere.

Let us do our work as well,
Both the unseen and the seen;
Make the house, where Gods may dwell,
Beautiful, entire and clean.

Else our lives are incomplete,
Standing in these walls of Time,
Broken stairways, where the feet
Stumble as they seek to climb.

Build today, then, strong and sure,
With a firm and ample base;
And ascending and secure
Shall tomorrow find its place.

Thus alone can we attain
To those turrets, where the eye
Sees the world as one vast plain,
And one boundless reach of sky.

R. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon, Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Dead will present in his report a detailed account of our personal loss.

SCHEDULE OF VISITATIONS

Chapter Lodge or Event	Location	Occasion
1962		
APRIL		
11—Metropolitan Lodge	Toronto	Guest Speaker
13—R.A.M. Welfare Special Night	Toronto	Official Guest
20—Killwing Lodge Chapter Night	Toronto	Guest Speaker
23—King David Chapter No. 262	Burlington	Dedication
May		
4-5—Grand Chapter New Jersey	Trenton, N.J.	Official Guest
7—Keystone Chapter No. 224	Hamilton	Guest Speaker
8—Westmount Lodge	Hamilton	Guest Speaker
11—Couchiching Chapter No. 198	Orillia	Official Visit
12—St. George Lodge	Toronto	Official Guest
18—Wawanosh Chapter No. 15	Sarnia	Official Visit Presentation Hon. Membership to Grand Z.
29—R.A.M. Welfare Meeting	Toronto	Official Meeting
JUNE		
5—Advisory and Grand Chapter Meeting, Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Meeting
5—Scarborough Chapter No. 263	Toronto	Dedication
12—White Oak Chapter No. 104	Oakville	Official Visit
13—St. Paul's Chapter No. 65	Toronto	Official Visit
15—Sequin Chapter No. 261	Parry Sound	Official Visit 1st Anniversary
25—Centennial Chapter No. 260	Streetsville	Guest Speaker
JULY		
1-2-3-4—Imperial Shrine Session	Toronto	Official Guest
17-18—Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario	Toronto	Annual Communication Official Guest
SEPTEMBER		
6—Scarborough Chapter No. 263	Toronto	Official Visit 1st Installation Presentation of Hon. Membership to Grand Z.
12—Shuniah Chapter No. 82	Port Arthur	Official Visit Grand Chapter Night
13—Succoth Chapter No. 135	Uxbridge	Dedication
14-15—Masonic Education	Toronto	Inaugural Meeting
20—Maple Chapter No. 116	Carleton Place	Official Visit
25—Huron District Reception District No. 6	Wingham	Official Guest

Chapter Lodge or Event	Location	Occasion
OCTOBER		
1—Sussex St. Lawrence Chapter No. 59	Brockville	Reception
2—Peel Chapter No. 195	Brampton	Official Guest Presentation of Hon. Membership to Grand Z.
3—Blue Lodge District Meeting	Newcastle	Guest Speaker
5—St. George Lodge No. 367	Toronto	English Night Guest Speaker
16—District Reception London District No. 2	London	Official Guest
18—Golden Fleece Lodge	Toronto	Presentation to V. Ex. Comp. A. Green
19—Ancient Frontenac Cataraqui Chapter No. 1	Kingston	Official Visit Presentation of Hon. Membership to Grand Z.
26—Hugh Murray Chapter No. 184	Fort Erie	50th Anniversary
27—District Reception Temiskaming District No. 16	Kirkland Lake	Official Guest
31—St. John's Chapter No. 6	Hamilton	Reception and Presentation of Hon. Membership to Grand Z.
NOVEMBER		
4—Advisory and Grand Chapter Meeting, Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Meeting
9—York Chapter No. 62	Toronto	Reception and Presentation of Hon. Membership to Grand Z.
10—R.A.M. Welfare Meeting	Toronto	Social Night
16—District Reception Ottawa District No. 13	Ottawa	Official Guest
18—Hamilton District No. 5	Hamilton	Divine Service
DECEMBER		
5—Halton Chapter No. 234	Georgetown	Official Visit
1963		
JANUARY		
22—District Reception Wellington District No. 59	Preston Chapter Preston, Ontario	Official Guest
23—Special Meeting Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	
29—Principals' Assoc., Toronto 8 & 8A Annual Dinner	Toronto	Official Guest
FEBRUARY		
6—District Reception Toronto District 8 & 8A	Toronto	Official Guest
8—York Chapter No. 62	Toronto	Official Visit
21—Peel Chapter No. 195	Brampton	54th Anniversary
22—District Reception Wellington District No. 4	Guelph	Official Guest

Chapter Lodge or Event	Location	Occasion
1963		
FEBRUARY		
23—Reception Corinthian Chapter No. 36	Peterborough	Official Guest Presentation Hon. Membership to Grand Z.
24—Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Budget Meeting
25—Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Meeting With Auditor
MARCH		
6—Grand Chapter Office	Toronto	Advisory Meeting
9—Annual International Day Wawanosh Chapter No. 15	Sarnia	Official Guest Presentation Hon. Membership to Grand Z.
13—Regal Chapter No. 253	Port Dover, Ontario	Official Visit
16—The St. Patrick Chapter No. 145 Annual Irish Night	Toronto	Official Guest
18—Ionic Chapter No. 168	Campbellford	54th Anniversary Official Guest
27—Grand Chapter Province of Quebec	Montreal, Que.	Official Guest
29—Prince Edward District No. 11	Belleville	District Reception Official Guest
APRIL		
8—St. Andrews & St. John Chapter No. 4	Toronto	Official Visit
19—York Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 156	Toronto	Centennial Celebration Official Guest

I will be forever grateful for the opportunity which has been afforded me during these past two years to represent this Grand Chapter on so many occasions and in particular the opportunity of visiting so many of our smaller Chapters, where a visit by a Grand Chapter officer is so very much appreciated. On every occasion the utmost kindness and courtesy was shown to your representative.

The occasion of holding an International Day, has in many centres, become a tradition which has the wholehearted support and blessing of Grand Chapter and is doing so very much in strengthening our relationship with our Companions to the South.

I would be remiss if I did not express the sincere appreciation, not only of myself and Mrs. Emmett, but our Grand Scribe E., Rt. Ex. Companion R. J. Hamilton and Mrs. Hamilton, to Most Worshipful Brother and Companion Justice R. W. Treleaven and Mrs. Treleaven, for their gracious hospitality during our official visit to the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, and, the continuing loyalty and support extended our Grand Chapter on every

occasion by the Grand Secretary, Rt. Worshipful Brother and Companion Ewart Dixon, M.C., Q.C.

In acknowledgement of his outstanding contribution to Craft Masonry, his affection and dedication to the tenents and principals of Capitular Masonry and in recognition of the outstanding manner in which he is discharging the high and important responsibilities of his office as the Most Worshipful Grand Master, I respectfully recommend that the rank of Honourary Past First Principal be conferred upon Most Worshipful Brother and Companion Justice R. W. Treleaven.

I would like, once again to express my deep appreciation to the many constituent Chapters who conferred Honorary Memberships on your Grand First Principal. I have not accepted this high tribute lightly, and will be ever mindful of the responsibilities incumbent upon me to discharge, to the best of my ability, in the years that lie ahead.

As a result of conflicting dates and personal obligations beyond my control, I was unable to accept all the invitations extended during the past year. May I, therefore, record, once again, not only the sincere appreciation of our Grand Chapter for this courtesy, but my personal regrets on my inability to be present.

ANNIVERSARIES

The occasion of an Anniversary or Birthday has been acknowledged once again by so many Chapters in planning their yearly programme and consequently, have made use of this opportunity, of not only inviting Members of Grand Chapter to be present but in many instances have invited Master Masons to be their guests.

An anniversary is an occasion of rejoicing and, yes, rededicating and I must compliment the many Chapters who have so fittingly marked the occasion during the past year.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

During the past year, nine of our seventeen Districts arranged a District Reception for your Grand First Principal. Once again, many of these occasions were graced with the presence of many Master Masons from the District, thus affording a wonderful opportunity to your Grand First Principal of not only meeting so many Companions, but assist in creating a most favourable impression for our distinguished guests.

To the many Grand Superintendents and Companions who worked so diligently on the necessary arrangements, I express my deep appreciation.

May I be permitted to make one special reference. On the

occasion when your Grand First Principal journeyed to Port Arthur and took part in a Grand Chapter night which was held in Port Arthur with the courtesy of Shuniah Chapter No. 82, the officers of the evening were all members of Grand Chapter, many from Toronto and the District of Port Arthur. This highlight was a unique occasion for the Companions of Algoma District No. 14 and their sincere appreciation and enthusiasm was most evident by the large attendance.

DEDICATIONS

During the past year, two new Chapters were consecrated and three Chapter Rooms were dedicated.

On Tuesday evening, June 5, 1962, The Scarborough Chapter, No. 263 was consecrated and the room dedicated. The following Companions were present and assisted in this most impressive ceremony:

M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, Grand Z.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, Grand H.
M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean as Grand J.
Rt. Ex. Comp. O. B. Dickinson, Grand Superintendent District No. 8.
Rt. Ex. Comp. David M. Kerr as Grand Chaplain.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred J. Johnson as Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. J. J. Mahaffy as Grand Scribe N.
Rt. Ex. Comp. John Dewar, Grand Principal Sojourner.
V. Ex. Comp. A. R. McDougall as Grand Senior Sojourner.
V. Ex. Comp. J. Wilson as Grand Junior Sojourner.
V. Ex. Comp. Howard Lane, Grand D. of C.
Ex. Comp. Roy Pannabecker as Grand Organist.
V. Ex. Comp. D. S. MacLachlan, Grand Outer Guard.

And the following assisting:

Rt. Ex. Comps. J. W. Arnold, R. H. Dilamarter, G. Brown, G. H. Shannon, F. Scott, R. J. Cooks, W. Holywell, R. Wilson, J. W. Woodland, J. L. Hewson, W. E. Gardner, C. D. M. Van Norman, V. Ex. Comps. W. Leach, J. Turnbull, W. James, F. C. Conley, H. Watson, R. R. Parson, W. J. McCall, H. E. Harrison, Ed Marshall, A. Ottis, G. A. Cooper, Ex. Comps. K. Bellamy, G. Forgan, W. E. Watson, C. Jantzi, S. M. Sweetman, S. J. Taylor, J. Brown, A. K. Poole, A. Lawrence, A. Harris, L. W. Dixon and others.

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9:00 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Consecrating and Dedicating the Chapter Room for Scarborough Chapter No. 263 Royal Arch Masons of Scarborough, Ontario.

The ceremony being concluded the Most Excellent Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10:15 p.m.

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 8:30 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Consecrating and Dedicating the Chapter Room for King David Chapter No. 262, Royal

Arch Masons of Burlington, Ontario. The ceremony being concluded the Most Excellent Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 9:45 p.m.

PRESENT

M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, Grand Z.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, Grand H.
Rt. Ex. Comp. James Girven, Grand J.
Rt. Ex. Comp. James Browlie, Grand Superintendent, District No. 5.
Rt. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon as Grand Chaplain.
Rt. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton, Grand Scribe E.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Gordon Brown as Grand Scribe N.
Rt. Ex. Comp. John Dewar, Grand Principal Sojourner.
V. Ex. Comp. C. G. Sherry as Grand Senior Sojourner.
V. Ex. Comp. Wellington Smith as Grand Junior Sojourner.
V. Ex. Comp. H. Lane, Grand D. of C.
Comp. Leslie Richardson as Grand Organist.
V. Ex. Comp. D. McLaghlan as Grand Outer Guard.
M. Ex. Comp. Fred Dean, Grand Treasurer.

And the following assisting:
Rt. Ex. Comps. R. Hazen, B. Robinson, J. Brownlie, O. B. Dickinson, J. W. Arnold, L. Jackson, G. Jackson, D. Van Norman, F. J. Johnson, L. Hewson, W. H. Carr, G. Brown, C. Sherry, V. Ex. Comps. J. Turnbull, W. J. McCall, W. H. Sargeant, J. A. Wilson, William E. James, E. Hind, Ex. Comps. J. Muir, G. Forgan. William Holcombe, K. Bellamy, A. Lawrence, M. L. Jeffery, C. Smillie, H. Hopkinson, A. Crook, C. Yantzi, D. Kidd, W. E. Watson and others.

DEDICATION

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9:30 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Dedicating a new Chapter Room for Succoth Chapter No. 135, Uxbridge, Ontario. On this important occasion the Grand First Principal was accompanied by members of the Grand Council, Most Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, Rt. Ex. Comp. F. J. Johnson, the ruling Grand Superintendent and a large delegation of past and present Grand Chapter Officers. This important ceremony being completed Grand Chapter was closed at 10:35 p.m.

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9:00 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation had been called for the purpose of Consecrating and Dedicating the new Chapter Room for Scarborough Chapter No. 263 G.R.C., Scarborough, Ontario. The Grand First Principal was accompanied by members of Grand Council, M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean, R. Ex. Companions F. J. Johnson, D. M. Kerr, J. J. Mahaffy and John Dewar, the ruling Grand Superintendent and a large delegation of past and present Grand Chapter Officers. This important ceremony being completed the M. Ex. Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 10:15 p.m.

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 8:30 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the Especial Convocation

had been called for the purpose of Consecrating and Dedicating the new Chapter Room of King David Chapter No. 262 G.R.C., of Burlington, Ontario. The Grand First Principal was accompanied by members of Grand Council, M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean, R. Ex. Companions R. J. Hamilton, G. H. Shannon, Gordon Brown and John Dewar and the ruling Grand Superintendent and many past and present Grand Chapter Officers. The ceremony being concluded the M. Ex. Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter at 9:45 p.m.

THE ROYAL ARCH WELFARE COMMITTEE OF TORONTO DISTRICT 8 AND 8A

It is only fitting, at this time, that one should record our congratulations and best wishes to the Royal Arch Welfare Committee of Toronto Districts 8 and 8A. For over 30 years this dedicated group of Royal Arch Masons have carried on in a most tangible manner, practicing the tenets and principles of Capitulary Masonry.

In reviewing their Annual Report covering their activities for the year 1962, we would be most remiss if we did not tender our appreciation and congratulations to Ex. Comp. Charles Bryson, Chairman, and the respective officers and members of the various sub-committees on enjoying a most successful year. Well over $600.00 was spent alone by this committee in bringing happiness to the residence of Laughlan Lodge and Divadale in the form of smokes, bingo prizes, and candy. The constant support given to this committee by so many members of the two Toronto Districts in transporting underprivileged children and their mothers to the Bronte Summer Camp in co-operation with the Toronto City Mission, represents a travelling total of over 5,000 miles. By this generous act, 360 underprivileged children and their mothers were able to enjoy a well deserved holiday.

BE PROUD

Have pride to face the things you've done;
Do your works proudly, one by one.
Don't fail to see the light that shines
Upon your past and present times.

Be proud of what you are, my friend;
Be faithful to yourself, till end,
Adhere proudly to what you are;
Don't hang your pride on a distant star.

Live up to your conscience, day by day.
Be proud of what you do or say . . .
For then, when you reach that golden gate,
Your heart will be filled with love, not hate.

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS

Once again your Grand Council have carried on the policy started two years ago in presenting jewels on behalf of Grand Chapter either personally, or by appointing a Member of Grand Chapter. This policy has brought a greater emphasis on the importance of such a presentation and without question this gesture has been most appreciated by the recipients. The following list confirms the recipients of the various jewels:

Sixty Years A Royal Arch Mason

Georgian No. 56—V. Ex. Comp. J. K. McLaughlin.
Bonnechere No. 114—V. Ex. Comp. J. D. Leitch.

Fifty Years A Royal Arch Mason

The Hiram No. 2—Comp L. E. Burley, Comp. H. Hahnau.
St. Johns No. 3—Comp. J. A. Edwards.
St. Andrew and St. John No. 4—Ex. Comp. G. G. Argo.
St. George's No. 5—Comp. Arthur T. Wiley, Comp. W. C. Hawken, Comp. George Fraser, Comp. R. S. Nichol, Comp. Allan M. Towe.
St. John's No. 6—Comp. C. J. Jennings, Ex. Comp. Francis J. Smith.
Moira No. 7—Comp. Frederick Croft, Comp. William Smith, Comp. William Hunter, Comp. Aubrey Lionel Lott.
Oxford No. 18—Comp. J. W. Sales.
Tecumseh No. 24—Comp. Alexander B. Manson.
St. Mark's No. 26—Comp Orliff G. Alyea.
Huron No. 30—Comp. Thos. G. C. Tichborne, Rt. Ex. Comp. Henry Tichborne, Rt. Ex. Comp. Hugh Hill, Comp. Ernest T. Pfrimmer.
Signet No. 34—Comp. John E. Fleetham, Comp. Henry L. Tarbush.
Corinthian No. 36—Comp. E. V. Moore, Comp. John F. Reed, Comp. H. R. Blade, Comp. William C. Ackerman, Ex. Comp. Charles L. Brewer.
Guelph No. 40—Rt. Ex. Comp. John Fisher Marr
St. James No. 46—Comp. William E. Andrews.
Wellington No. 47—Ex. Comp. Joseph H. Sullivan.
Georgian No. 56—Comp. William Brown, Rt. Ex. Comp. Clarence L. VanWyck.
York No. 62—V. Ex. Comp. Charles F. Brookes.
Grimsby No. 69—Ex. Comp. James H. Wells.
Orient No. 79—Comp. Albor M. Thorne.
Toronto Antiquity No. 91 (185)—Comp. Arthur J. Everett.
St. John's No. 112—Comp. Herbert E. Paull, Comp. Edwin L. Brown.
Laurentian No. 151—V. Ex. Comp. J. D. Leitch.

For Twenty-five Years Installed First Principal

St. John's No. 3—Ex. Comp. Stanley A. Peach, V. Ex. Comp. Charles Alexander Hutcheson.
St. Andrew & St. John No. 4—V. Ex. Comp. Harry B. Pickrell.
St. George's No. 5—Ex. Comp. Archie McTavish.
St. John's No. 6—Ex. Comp. Wellington Owen Childs.
Moira No. 7—Ex. Comp. William Coulby.
King Solomon's No. 8—V. Ex. Comp. William H. King.
Wawanosh No. 15—Ex. Comp. Robert Andrew McGeachy.
Mount Horeb No. 20—Ex. Comp. Robert Kennedy Johnston.
Tecumseh No. 24—Ex. Comp. William Henry Reed.
Pentalpha No. 28—Ex. Comp. Francis Wilber Manuel.
McCallum No. 29—Ex. Comp. Joseph H. Wells.
Prince Edward No. 31—Ex. Comp. Harry John Clarke.
Guelph No. 40—Rt. Ex. Comp. James A. Robertson.
Wellington No. 47—Ex. Comp. James Henry Menzies.

Bruce No. 53—Ex. Comp. William James Alexander.
Sussex-St. Lawrence No. 59—Rt. Ex. Comp. Thomas Scott Young.
Malloch No. 66—V. Ex. Comp. James Alexander Neilans (1961).
Enterprise No. 67—Ex. Comp. Carl Jacob Schaefer.
Grimsby No. 69—V. Ex. Comp. Cecil Philip Gowland.
St. Clair No. 75—Ex. Comp. Wilbert Edward Ford.
Mount Nebo No. 76—Ex. Comp. William R. Springett.
Orient No. 79—V. Ex. Comp. Walter E. Secker, Ex. Comp. George A. Duguid.
Aylmer No. 81—V. Ex. Comp. Stanley William W. Durkee, Ex. Comp. Charles Passmore Horton.
MacNabb No. 88—Ex. Comp. James A. Anderson.
Toronto Antiquity No. 91—Ex. Comp. John Alexander Hewat.
Tuscan No. 95—V. Ex. Comp. Pieter Bregman.
Warkworth No. 110—Ex. Comp. William H. Smooker, Ex. Comp. Clayton E. Meiklejohn.
St. John's No. 112—Ex. Comp. Ezra Mathias Beckstead, Ex. Comp. Richard Winnett.
Covenant No. 113—Rt. Ex. Comp. Clinton A. Markell, Ex. Comp. Frederick A. Amell (1961).
Maple No. 116—Rt. Ex. Comp. Morton Webster Rogers, Ex. Comp. Lawrence Elmsley Pye, Ex. Comp. James G. Craig.
Kitchener No. 117—Ex. Comp. Lawrence A. Becker.
Elliot No. 129—Ex. Comp. Waler J. Halfnight.
Leeds No. 132—Ex. Comp. William Edward Wright.
Succoth No. 135—Ex. Comp. Harman C. Misener.
Shekinah No. 138—V. Ex. Comp. Earl Henry Hughes.
Alberton No. 152—Rt. Ex. Comp. Bruce Franklin Warner.
The Beaches No. 163—Ex. Comp. Edgar E. Ritcey.
Ionic No. 168—Rt. Ex. Comp. James Owen Benor.
Hugh Murray No. 184—Ex. Comp. William W. Gorham.
Peel No. 195—V. Ex. Comp. Harold Spratt, Ex. Comp. H. A. Wilson.
Mount Sinai No. 212—Ex. Comp. Joseph Roebuck.
Northern Lights No. 213—Rt. Ex. Comp. Austin Francis McDowell, Rt. Ex. Comp. Frank Wills.
St. Alban's No. 217—Rt. Ex. Comp. H. A. Fred Schytte.
Ulster No. 219—Ex. Comp. Robert Ernest Story.
Durham No. 221—Ex. Comp. Melville G. Calder.
Ottawa No. 222—Ex. Comp. Wilbert Dawson Taylor.
Quinte Friendship No. 227—Ex. Comp. Howard Aselstine.
Caledonia No. 236—V. Ex. Comp. Fred Brown.
McKay Chapter No. 243—V. Ex. Comp. Roland Wray.
Preston No. 245—V. Ex. Comp. Oliver John Little, Ex. Comp. Arthur Jefkins, Rt. Ex. Comp. Gordon V. Hilborn.
Thomas Peters No. 250—Ex. Comp. Maurice Wilson Honeyman.
Hiawatha No. 252—Ex. Comp. Howard Bell Thompson.
Regal No. 253—Ex. Comp. Edward M. Jaques.

Distinguished Service Award

St. George's No. 5—Comp. G. P. Saunders.
Prince Edward No. 31—Comp. G. N. McKibbon.

Seventy Years A Royal Arch Mason

Early this afternoon, the Companions assembled in Grand Chapter will have the opportunity of participating in what I feel will be one of the most outstanding events in the history of our Grand Chapter, when your Grand First Principal will present to Companion A. D. Hodgins a 70 year bar for his 50 year jewel.

Companion A. D. Hodgins was exalted in St. Georges Chapter No. 5, London, Ontario, in 1892. His continuous interest and outstanding contribution to Capitulary Masonry must be a challenge to all.

On behalf of our Grand Chapter, I extend our congratulations and best wishes to Companion Hodgins and trust he will continue to be blessed with God's richest blessings, that health and happiness be his in bounteous measure, and we in turn may be the recipients of his wisdom and friendship.

DISPENSATIONS

One Hundred and Seventy-eight Dispensations were issued as follows:

Attend Divine Service	21
Change Day or Hour of Opening	85
Permit Social Functions	30
Waiver of Jurisdiction	1
Amputations Initiated	4
Dispense with Convocations in Summer Months	10
Dispense with Convocations in December	2
To confer Three Degrees in One Day	2
Advancement of Officers as required by Constitution	11
Permit Special Emergent Meeting	7
Permit Election of Officers in February for Re-election of Council	1
To hold Installaton Contrary to Bylaws	1
To Permit Election of Officers Contrary to Bylaws	2
To Confer Degrees in Sister Jurisdictions	1

DEDICATIONS

Three Chapter Rooms were dedicated during the year:

June 5, 1962—Scarborough Chapter No. 263, Toronto.
September 13, 1962—Succoth Chapter No. 135, Uxbridge.
April 23, 1962—King David Chapter No. 262, Burlington.

NEW BY-LAWS APPROVED

Palestine Chapter No. 54.
Bonnechere Chapter No. 114.
Sequin Chapter No. 261.
King David Chapter No. 262.
Scarborough Chapter No. 263.

AMENDMENTS

Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui No. 1
St. John's No. 3
King Solomon's No. 8
Tecumseh No. 24
Signet No. 34
Georgian No. 56
Beaver No. 74
St. Clair No. 75
Aylmer No. 81
MacNabb No. 88
Tuscan No. 95
St. John's No. 103
St. Francis No. 133
Glengarry No. 143
The St. Patrick No. 145
St. John's No. 148
London No. 150
The Beaches No. 163
Temiskaming No. 169
The St. Clair No. 231
Oakwood No. 233
Halton No. 234
St. Andrew No. 238
McKay No. 243
Humber No. 246
Palestine No. 249
Espanola No. 257

INVESTMENTS

Rt. Ex. Comp. R. J. Lewis, Chairman of Investments will cover this important aspect of our Convocation. May I, at this time, record the appreciation of our Grand Chapter to Rt. Ex. Companion Lewis for accepting this important responsibility.

FINANCES

Rt. Ex. Comp. F. C. Ackert, Chairman of this important committee will present in detail his Annual Report and the proposed budget for 1963. I would respectfully request the attention of all the Companions present to this most important presentation.

PAST RANK

A request has been received from Elliott Chapter No. 129 to confer on Ex. Comp. H. A. Carter the rank of a Past Principal posthumously. The Late Ex. Comp. Carter served through all the respective offices with dignity and dedication. He was installed as First Principal in January, 1961, and passed to the Grand Chapter above June 19, 1961. I, therefore, recommend that Past Rank be conferred.

In September of 1962 a request to confer the rank of a Past Principal on Ex. Comp. A. Keith MacLean, of St. Paul's Chapter No. 65 G.R.C., was received. Due to severe illness Ex. Comp. MacLean was unable to complete his term of office. Ex. Comp. MacLean passed to the Grand Chapter above on January 26, 1963, and I recommend that the rank of a Past Principal be conferred posthumously.

On February 1st, 1963, a request was received to confer on Ex. Comp. E. Wood the rank of a Past Principal posthumously. The Late Ex. Comp. Wood served the respective offices of Cobourg Chapter with Sincerity and Honour. The Late Ex. Comp. Wood passed to the Grand Chapter above suddenly during his term of office in 1962 as First Principal of his Chapter. I, therefore, recommend the Past rank be conferred.

RECOMMENDATIONS

A request was made to your Grand First Principal during the past year by several Chapters in the Toronto Districts of 8 and 8A for permission to transfer their place of meeting to a hall which is occupied on certain nights of the month by Associations and Fraternities other than Masonic Bodies.

The main reason for making this request, in every instance, was, the present rate of rent required of the respective Chapters by their present landlord, was proven too much of a hardship and two Chapters in particular submitted evidence to your Grand

First Principal, that unless steps were taken to alleviate this condition, they felt they had no recourse, other than surrender their Charter.

In investigating the new accommodations in question, it was found first, that the rents were most favourable and would prove most beneficial to the financial problems of a Chapter. Secondly, the accommodation was in very good repair and lent itself with some minor changes to the requirements of a Chapter.

This critical problem is predominantly applicable to the Toronto area where the rents for accommodation during the past few years have soared proportionately out of reach of the average Chapter.

Your Grand Council are very aware of this serious condition and fully realize that steps expect to be taken shortly to build new and larger Masonic accommodation in the Metropolitan area of Toronto. While this action is urgently required, we feel that in many cases it will not relieve the financial burden of certain Chapters.

I therefore, recommend to the incoming Grand First Principal that a committee be appointed immediately following this Grand Chapter to study the request made by the various Chapters regarding new accommodation and report thereon to the Grand First Principal for his decision.

RULINGS

During the past year your Grand First Principal has received two requests from subordinate Chapters seeking permission to furnish their Companions with a crest or emblem using R.A.M. or similar Chapter inscriptions.

This matter was dealt with very thoroughly by the Advisory Committee of Grand Chapter and I therefore make the following ruling:

It is improper for a Chapter to supply or permit its Members to use a crest or emblem for the purpose of advertising or identifying their particular Chapter.

It has come to the attention of your Grand First Principal that during the past year Chapters have been desirous of purchasing Life Memberships for certain of its Members by a Notice of Motion and the transferring of Chapter funds from one account to another. This policy is contrary to the meaning of the Constitution of Grand Chapter, Section 246, and I therefore make the following ruling:

It is improper for a Chapter to purchase a Life Membership for a Companion or Companions by transferring monies within a Chapter from one account to another.

APPRECIATION

I would be most negligent in my appreciation, if I did not record at this time, my sincere appreciation to Rt. Ex. Comp. Dr. Fraser Hay, my Grand Second Principal, and Rt. Ex. Comp. James Girven, My Grand Third Principal, for their wholehearted support and encouragement during the past two years. They have been most diligent in the discharge of their respective duties and Grand Chapter is assured of utmost loyalty and leadership during the forthcoming four years. To these distinguished Masons I pledge my loyalty and support.

To Rt. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton, our Grand Scribe E. and the personnel of the Office of Grand Chapter, I express my sincere appreciation for the dedicated manner in which they have assumed the heavy responsibility of their office and particularly mention, with appreciation, the extra work that has gone into bringing up the work of the office to a current position.

To all the elected and appointed Members of Grand Chapter, the Chairmen of the various committees, and in particular the wonderful contribution the new committee on Masonic Instruction has made during the past year, I extend my thanks and deep appreciation.

I would like to express my appreciation for the wholehearted co-operation shown by my Grand Superintendents and to compliment them on the diligent manner in which they discharged the duties of their respective offices.

To my Past Grand First Principals for their utmost co-operation during my term of office, I am deeply grateful. Their wise counsel and words of encouragement have contributed so very much to the success of the past two years. To this dedicated group of distinguished Masons I will be ever grateful.

May I say, at this time, how delighted we are to have Most Ex. Comp. Fred Dean, our treasurer with us today and to rejoice in his recovery from the very serious sickness he experienced last summer.

Our thoughts today turn to one who is confined to hospital with a critical illness, in the person of Rt. Ex. Comp. Robert N. McElhinney, an Honorary Member of our Grand Executive. Rt. Ex. Comp. McElhinney, affectionately known to all as Bob, has been a constant worker for over 50 years. His pleasing personality and pleasant smile are missed today by so many who are privileged to know him. We pray the Great Architect of the Universe will continue to bless him in these critical days.

CONCLUSION

My Companions, in concluding this my final report to you as your Grand First Principal, may I say once again how very

much I appreciate the honor you bestowed upon me two years ago in elevating me to the office of Grand First Principal.

I will be forever indebted to the Companions of this great jurisdiction for this great honor and in particular for all the many acts of kindness shown me on every occasion. I am thoroughly convinced that Masonry, in general, and Capitulary Masonry in particular, is going to experience in the immediate future, an unparalleled era of prosperity and enthusiasm. The constant strain and stress on our very existance today, is testing to the breaking point the principles of our time-honoured Institution, and I am quite sure that these challenges will be met and accomplished by sound thinking, God fearing men of the Masonic Order. To this great fraternity, its Officers and Members, I dedicate my utmost loyalty and support.

A PRAYER

Each morning when I wake, say
"I place my hand in God's today."
I know He'll walk close by my side
My ever wandering step to guide.

He leads me with the tenderest care
When paths are dark and I despair.
No need for me to understand
If I but hold fast to His hand.

My hand in His! No surer way
To walk in safety through each day.
By His great bounty I am fed
Warmed by His love, and comforted.

When at day's end I seek my rest
And realize how much I'm blessed
My heart pours out to Him, and then,
I place my hands in God's again.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

C. W. Emmett
Grand Z.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven, and—

Resolved—That the address of the M. Ex. the Grand Z. be referred to the Committee on the Grand Z's Address to report thereon during the present Convocation of Grand Chapter.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS

ST CLAIR DISTRICT No. 1
Rt. Ex. Comp. Allan Pye

I hereby submit my report on the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in St. Clair District No. 1.

Official visits, 10; installations, 6; church services, 2; one presentation, 25-year Past Principal jewel; one Grand Officers night, Thomas Peters Chapter; three visits to Past Principals Association, Chatham.

During my visits around the District I have stressed the points of membership and attendance. The response to my talks has been very gratifying. I have also appealed to our Companions to wake up and put the life back into Capitular Masonry. There is no excuse for the complacency that exists in all the Chapters. I reminded them of their obligations, whereby they freely obligated themselves to spread assistance, light and knowledge to all uninformed brethren; explained to them that the records of the different Chapters regarding new members and attendance leaves a lot to be desired.

From some of the comments I have received regarding these talks I feel sure you will see a big improvement this year in this district. All Chapters seem to have new members to start the new year. For example, Ark Chapter No. 80 have ten, Thomas Peters No. 250 have six or seven to date and more promised; Essex three, Leamington four, Chatham three, and so it goes. The spirit is good; all it needs is a little fire put under the Companions to wake them up. I hope I have done just that.

All my visits were well attended, so I had a good chance to talk to Companions who just come out to special meetings. I stressed the point of how big a job we could do when we consider only 15 per cent of Craft Masons belong to our order. I asked my Companions to take stock and truly ask themselves are they proud of what they find, are they doing all they can to help with the work in their own Chapter.

I have sincerely tried to awaken all Royal Arch Masons in my District and I hope for good results from it.

LONDON DISTRICT No. 2
Rt. Ex. Comp. John N. Duffy

I wish to respectfully submit a statement of visits made as the representative of the Grand First Principal and my report on the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in London District No. 2.

Official visits:

May 15—London Chapter No. 150, London
June 8—Wawanosh Chapter No. 15, Sarnia
June 27—St. John's Chapter No. 3, London
Sept. 13—Palestine Chapter No. 54, St. Thomas
Sept. 17—Minnewawa Chapter No. 78—Parkhill
Sept. 20—Nilestown Chapter No. 247, Nilestown
Sept. 28—St. George's Chapter No. 5, London
Oct. 1—Hiawatha Chapter No. 252, Sarnia.
Oct. 2—St. Paul's Chapter No. 242, Lambeth.
Oct. 4—Aylmer Chapter No. 81, Aylmer
Oct. 8—Vimy Chapter No. 214, Inwood
Oct. 17—Bruce Chapter No. 53, Petrolia
Oct. 25—The St. Andrew's Chapter No. 238, London
Nov. 5—Beaver Chapter No. 74, Strathroy

On each of the above occasions I was received with the dignity, solemnity and respect befitting a visit from our Grand First Principal. The degree work was excellent and after each I gave a short address on

the lesson of the degree. The First Principal on each of the above visits had an excellent fourth degree arranged.

Other visits:

April 24—St. George's Chapter No. 5, London. Dinner meeting and presentation of Distinguished Service Award to Comp. Gordon P. Sanders by the Grand First Principal Most Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett.

May 6—London District No. 2, London. Divine church service at Hyatt Avenue United Church. The rector was the Rev. Alexander Rapson, B.A., in charge. The sermon was given by the District Chaplain, Comp. the Rev. Robert A. Carson, B.A., L.Th. The Mocha Concert Band of Mocha Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., under the direction of Comp. J. T. Carter, was in attendance. The ushers were the ruling First Principals of St. George's Chapter No. 5, Ex. Comp. William A. Weames and London Chapter No. 150, Ex. Comp. Arthur W. Burgess. The lesson was read by myself.

June 11—St. James Chapter No. 46, St. Marys. This was the official visit of the Grand Superintendent of Huron District No. 6, Rt. Ex. Comp. Ray E. Robinson. I enjoyed comparing notes with Rt. Ex. Comp. Robinson. The First Principal of the Chapter was Ex. Comp. Herb Sparling, a well known Mason in the district.

June 12—London District No. 2, London Masonic Temple. Chapter of Instruction. I was chairman of this meeting and my secretary, Ex. Comp. Maxwell A. Doupe, acted as secretary. This was given in a series of lectures on each degree and between which I spoke on Grand Chapter requirements. The lecturers were Rt. Ex. Comp. D. A. McDonald, M.M.M. Degree; Ex. Comp. B. E. Doupe, M.E.M. Degree, and Ex. Comp. W. E. Boyle, H.R.A. Degree.

June 14—Palestine Chapter No. 54, St. Thomas. The M.E.M. Degree was conferred by the western division of the London District No. 2 Educational and Instruction Committee under the direction of Ex. Comp. W. E. Eldridge.

June 23—St. Paul's Chapter No. 242, Lambeth. Presentation of 25-year Past Principal's jewel to Rt. Ex. Comp. Gordon Howell and Ex. Comp. George Harris.

September 6—St. John's Chapter No. 3, London. Presentation of 25-year Past Principal's jewel to V. Ex. Comp. C. A. Hutcheson.

October 16—Principals and Past Principals Association of London District No. 2, London Masonic Temple. Reception for the Grand First Principal Most Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett. On this occasion the 14 ruling Principals of the District were present and one visiting ruling Principal, Ex. Comp. C. C. Neal of Oxford Chapter No. 18, Woodstock. The chairman and president of the association was Rt. Ex. Comp. D. A. McDonald of London Chapter No. 150.

October 28—London District No. 2, Forest. This was the District Chaplain's church service and was held at the Chaplain's rectory, Christ Church, and was unique in that all taking part in the service, including the choir, were Companions in full regalia. Comp. the Rev. Robert A. Carson, B.A., L.Th., conducted the service and gave the sermon. The soloist was V. Ex. Comp. George Tucker; the organist was Comp. Frederick Newman; the ushers were Rt. Ex. Comp. J. W. Carson, Rt. Ex. Comp. Arthur Ayre, and the lesson was read by myself.

January 10—London and District Installation Board, Masonic Temple, London. Installation of officers of St. John's Chapter No. 3, St. George's Chapter No. 5, London Chapter No. 150, The St. Andrew's Chapter No. 238, St. Paul's Chapter No. 242 and Nilestown Chapter No. 247. The obligation was given by myself, the final charge by M. Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw and the installing Z. was V. Ex. Comp. George Tucker.

March 9—Hiawatha Chapter No. 252, Sarnia. International day arranged by Hiawatha Chapter and Huron Chapter No. 27 of Port Huron, Mich. This was the 15th annual occasion and many Grand Chapter officers of the United States and our own Grand Chapter attended, including our Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, who was presented with a life membership from Hiawatha Chapter, as was also the Grand High Priest of the State of Michigan M. Ex. Comp. Harry S. Moak.

On the majority of the above occasions I was accompanied by the present Grand Chapter officers in the district, Rt. Ex. Comp. Arthur Ayre, Grand Executive, who never missed a visit; V. Ex. Comp. Robert Preston, Grand Master of the Third Veil; V. Ex. Comp. Ray Moore, Grand Stewart, and V. Ex. Comp. George Downer, who also carried out a visit to Sarnia on my behlf.

Report on the condition of Masonry:

On the surface Royal Arch Masonry in London District No. 2 would seem to be in all respects far above that of any other society or institution in the district, but our balance sheet does not bear this out.

The harmony, dignity, etiquette, dress and the standard of the monthly summons and writing material is all very good.

The attendance at Chapters is poor and this was very marked in the Chapters which have large memberships. This would indicate that the larger the membership the less chance each Companion has of becoming an officer or of being any integral part of that Chapter, and some thought should be given to the encouragement of starting new Chapters in these cases.

Too many members are being suspended. This problem possibly stems from the fact that an applicant may join a Blue Lodge and then become a member in the Chapter by payment of an initiation fee and paying yearly dues, while higher Masonic bodies require that life membership be paid at initiation. We then have a Companion who has acquired the necessary degrees and a life membership card and he feels that it is unnecessary to continue to pay dues to those bodies below, as the Chapter.

Considering the large number of Blue Lodge Masons in the district only a small percentage continue further than the Third Degree. Here we have the master of the lodge and Grand Lodge officers who are Third Degree Masons telling the brethren that there are no further degrees in Masonry or there is nothing further to be learned.

Although the second and third Principals in the Chapters manage to do their work in the degrees, for officers which hold such an important position in their respective Chapters they know little of their Chapter and its administration.

The surplus funds are much too low as a result of the spiral of increased costs and all Chapters in the District have had to finally increase their dues this year.

While the degree work is being done well, few really understand the lessons of the degrees and this is often misinterpreted, giving a biased meaning, especially in regard to religious denominations and nationality.

The District Educational and Instruction Committee is organized and some years ago degree teams formed for the purpose of instruction has worked out quite well with the exception of one degree, but the educational part of this committee is not yet in operation.

I feel that the problems I have mentioned can be successfuly solved by the Educational and Instruction Committee launched this year by the Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett and placed under the chairmanship of Rt. Ex. Comp. Andrew F. Tannahill. My suggestion is that educational material on these Chapter matters should be

made available to the Blue Lodges, the Second and Third Principals, other bodies in Masonry where applicable and, of course, to ourselves.

Finally, I wish to thank my Secretary, Ex. Comp. Maxwell A. Doupe, who accompanied me on every occasion and without whose diligent help I would not have been able to carry out the many duties of this office. Also I wish to thank the many other Companions in London District who in any way made my visits so enjoyable.

WILSON DISTRICT No. 3

Rt. Ex. Comp. Robert L. Hazen

With this report on Royal Arch Masonry in Wilson District No. 3 I would include an expression of my appreciation to my Companions in the District for their action in electing me to the office of Grand Superintendent, and to M. Ex. Comp. Chas. W. Emmett for confirmation of their action.

It was my very pleasant duty and privilege to appoint Ex. Comp. William C. McNeilly as my secretary. He has performed his duties with efficiency and dignity and I owe him my sincere thanks for his assistance.

My first official act was the formation of a District Masonic Instruction Committee. V. Ex. Comp. George L. Nutt of Woodstock was appointed chairman and Rt. Ex. Comp. Thurlowe of Woodstock and Rt. Ex. Comp. Francis M. Reid of Simcoe made up the committee.

A meeting of the principal officers of the District Chapters was held in Port Dover on May 17, 1962. At this meeting the visitation of the District by the Grand Superintendent was arranged as follows:

Oct. 15—Brant Chapter No. 115, Paris
Oct. 18—Mount Horeb Chapter No. 20, Brantford
Nov. 8—Ezra Chapter No. 23, Simcoe
Nov. 14—Regal Chapter No. 253, Port Dover
Nov. 20—Tillsonburg Chapter No. 255, Tillsonburg
Nov. 23—Oxford Chapter No. 18, Woodstock
Nov. 26—Harris Chapter No. 41, Ingersoll

At this time arrangements were made for the District divine service to be held in Port Dover. It was pointed out to the Companions at the meeting by V. Ex. Comp. Alex Wishart that the first Grand Superintendent of Wilson District had been appointed in 1862 and that I now have the distinction of being the first Grand Superintendent of the second century of Royal Arch Masonry in Wilson District.

On June 24, 1962, the District divine service was held in Knox Presbyterian Church, Port Dover. The sermon was preached by Rt. Ex. Comp. R. Douglas MacDonald, Past Grand Chaplain of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, of St. Andrews, Tillsonburg. A fine representation of Royal Arch Masons from Woodstock, Tillsonburg, Paris, Simcoe and Port Dover was in attendance. Also attending were many brethren from Erie Lodge, Port Dover. I should like to express at this time my sincere thanks to Rt. Ex. Comp. MacDonald for his assistance at this service.

On October 10, 1962, a Royal Arch Degree was conferred by the past and ruling Principals of the District at Regal Chapter, Port Dover. Combined with this Convocation was a Chapter of Instruction under the direction of V. Ex. Comp. George L. Nutt and Rt. Ex. Comp. Francis Reid.

On each of my official visits I was cordially received and welcomed at all times. My reception was proper, dignified and a credit to the Chapter concerned. The degree work at each visit was performed in a very credible manner and in every instance the Past Principals were endeavoring to assist the officers in every way possible.

On April 23, 1962, I had the pleasure of attending the dedication and consecration ceremony at King David Chapter, Burlington.

I was able to be present at the installation of officers of all the Chapters except two and I found the ceremonies were invariably conducted in an efficient manner, with the officers accepting their new responsibilities with respect and enthusiasm.

In conclusion I would like to express my sincere thanks to the officers and Companions of Wilson District No. 3. Especially I would commend all the Scribes E. for performing their duties in a most excellent manner. To my successor go my best wishes for a successful term of office and my wholehearted support.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 4

Rt. Ex. Comp. Bernard Robinson

It has been a privilege and a great honor for me to be Grand Superintendent of Wellington District No. 4 and I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Principals and Past Principals of this District for honoring Prince Edward Chapter by electing me to this high office. Also I would like to thank M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett for confirming my election and to the Companions of Prince Edward Chapter who accompanied me on all of my visits and the Companions of a number of the other Chapters who were present at many of these visits.

I am indebted to Ex. Comp. Hilton Emrick who has been a very efficient secretary. His knowledge of Royal Arch Masonry and particularly that pertaining to the duties of the Scribe E. has been a constant source of capable assistance and his efforts and help have been very much appreciated.

On May 28 the Principals of the District met with me and we arranged the Trestle Board and talked over other plans for the year. My Trestle Board was as follows and on each occasion a degree was conferred or exemplified:

Sept 27—Waterloo No. 32, Galt
Oct. 5—Kitchener No. 117, Kitchener
Oct. 9—Enterprise No. 67, Palmerston
Oct. 17—Halton No. 234, Georgetown
Oct. 23—Preston No. 245, Preston
Nov. 9—Guelph No. 40, Guelph
Nov. 20—Durham No. 221, Durham
Nov. 27—Ionic No. 83, Orangeville
Dec. 13—Prince Edward No. 218, Shelburne

The work on these occasions was conducted in a very capable and impressive manner. Without exception I was received in the proper form and welcomed with a sincerity that made every visit a pleasure. I have, with one exception, visited each Chapter at least twice and some of them three and four times. I hope before my term expires to have visited all Chapters at least twice.

Throughout the District the total membership has increased by six and the average attendance at meetings has increased slightly. These facts, together with the encouraging attendance at special gatherings, speak well for Royal Arch Masonry in Wellington District.

On Sunday, October 21, we held our District divine church service in St. Paul's Anglican Church, Shelburne. There was a good response from the District with all Chapters being represented. The Rev. MacKenzie Dobson, rector of St. Paul's Church and a Royal Arch Mason, conducted a very impressive service. Ex. Comp. Jack Edwards sang the Lord's Prayer and I read the scripture lesson.

On December 5 we had the pleasure of attending Halton Chapter, Georgetown, when they received M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett accom-

panied by a number of Grand Chapter officers. This was quite a unique occasion as the twin sons of Ex. Comp. Jack Armstrong received their Royal Arch Degree.

It was my privilege to attend most of the installation ceremonies and on all occasions I took part. The highlight of these was the one at Preston when Grand Chapter officers did the installing and investing of the officers of Preston Chapter. On this occasion we were favored by the presence of the Grand Council and many other present and past Grand Chapter officers. We in Wellington District greatly appreciate the interest M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett and Grand Chapter has taken in the difficulties being experienced by this Chapter and what they have done to give inspiration and help. It is indeed encouraging to see the result of their labors in the monthly summons when they list the number of applications for initiations and affiliations and to note the difference in the renewed spirit of the Companions of Preston Chapter. It would be my request that the Chapters continue visiting this Chapter and that the next Grand Superintendent give it a prominent place when planning his work.

On February 22 the Past Principals' Association sponsored a School of Instruction at Guelph when a team of Past Principals under the able guidance of the Committee of Masonic Instruction most capably exemplified the M.E.M. Degree. On this occasion we were once more honored by the presence of M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett accompanied by Rt. Ex. Comp. Gardner and other Grand Chapter officers. The evening was very informative and friendly and we wish to express our thanks particularly to M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett and Rt. Ex. Comp. W. E. Gardner and to all who helped make this meeting a success.

Our Masonic Educational Committee has been quite active and very cooperative. They have visited a number of Chapters and have given valuable assistance on these occasions. I feel that as the Chapters come to understand the purpose of this committee more use will be made of it to the benefit of Capitular Masonary in our District.

The Principals' Association held their fall meeting in Waterloo Chapter room and are planning to hold their annual meeting in Halton Chapter in March. This association is quite active and the Principals who attend benefit from the exchange of ideas and matters discussed.

In conclusion I would like to say how much I have enjoyed my term of office. It has been a very pleasant and profitable experience representing the Grand First Principal in Wellington District. I have been amply repaid for the time and effort spent by the rich experience in Capitular Masonry, the new friendships formed and the knowledge that I have had some small part in promoting some of the better things of life. I would ask that the same support, cooperation and friendly feelings be given to my successor so that Capitular Masonry may continue to advance in Wellington District during his term of office.

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 5

Rt. Ex. Comp. James Brownlie

As my tenure of office comes to a close may I first convey to M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett my most humble thanks in confirming my appointment as Grand Superintendent and my sincere appreciation to the Principals of Hamilton District No. 5 for my election and the honored conferred on St. John's Chapter.

My first pleasant duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. Stephen J. Quiney as my secretary. He proved of invaluable assistance to me and to the District as a whole.

At a meeting of the Principals' Association on April 30, 1962, official visits to each Chapter were arranged and I was able to complete them as scheduled.

On each occasion I was accompanied by a large number of Companions and was received with dignity and respect as the representative of the M. Ex. the Grand First Principal.

It was pleasing to find the books of the Scribes E. of all Chapters in proper order, neatly kept and up to date. Some Chapters are extremely fortunate in having most efficient Scribes E. doing an excellent job.

The ritualistic work in nearly all cases was well done and in some instances outstanding which is evidence of much effort and fine cooperation among the Principals, Past Principals and officers.

In summarizing the reports of the various Chapters I find that in the whole District we have a decrease in membership due to deaths, withdrawals and suspensions and a decline in average attendance. I feel that we need more enthusiasm among our members to attract a greater number of candidates.

As most of our Chapters are not overworked a sincere and genuine effort on the part of Chapter officers to present the work in a dignified and impressive manner will make Capitular Masonry so much to the candidate that he will never drift away. Where there is a weakness in degree work it is evident that there is a lack of rehearsal. A good rehearsal with all the officers present will enable them to be well conversant with the ritual and will ensure that they confer the degrees in a proper manner.

Several Chapters have appointed a master of the work for each degree to assist the council and guide and help, especially the junior officers with their ritual and floor work. I believe this is a step in the right direction.

The new Masonic Instruction Committee is functioning well in our District and they have been cordially received in the Chapters they have visited.

Several more visits by this committee have been arranged. The Companions of the various Chapters are anxious for guidance and assistance and this augurs well for the continued success of Capitular Masonry in this part of the Grand Jurisdiction.

During the year it was my honor and privilege on behalf of the Grand Z. to present a 50-year jewel to Comp. C. Jennings, also three 25-year Past Principal's jewels to Ex. Comp. F. Smith, Ex. Comp. A. T. Lang and V. Ex. Comp. F. Brown.

Some of the other highlights of my term of office were as follows:

April 23—Consecration and dedication of King David Chapter No. 262 G.R.C., by the Grand Council, assisted by a large number of Grand Chapter officers. It was a signal honor for me on this occasion to present M. Ex. the Grand First Principal and his officers to the Companions and to introduce the members of the Chapter to the Grand Council. M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett honored V. Ex. Comp. C. Sherry by presenting him with his regalia that same evening.

October 31—The Hamilton District was honored by a visit from M. Ex. the Grand Z., the occasion being a reception tendered him by the Principals' Association, the host Chapter being St. John's No. 6. His splendid address together with a real evening of good companionship was indeed a memorable event.

November 18—A District divine service with a large number of Companions and their ladies in attendance was held in Binkley United Church. M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett and other Grand Chapter officers assisted in the service. Comp. the Rev. R. G. Hazlewood, pastor of the church, delivered a sermon which was most suitable for the occasion and all present felt well rewarded.

I was privileged to attend every installation in January and talk to

the newly installed officers about their duties and I am convinced that the harmony and fraternal feeling in our District is excellent.

I trust that every officer and Companion will endeavor to extend their zeal and work for the great cause of Royal Arch Masonry.

In conclusion I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the following Past Grand Superintendents: Rt. Ex. Companions Portch, Pepper, Scott, Cox and Brown for their counsel and guidance and above all for their wonderful support during the year. To all Companions of Hamilton District No. 5 may I say that it has been a most pleasant association throughout the year and all things have worked together to make my term of office most enjoyable.

Your friendship will remain an unforgettable treasure and I shall always have happy memories of my year as Grand Superintendent and I sincerely hope that you will give the same kindly advice and support to my successor.

HURON DISTRICT No. 6

R. Ex. Comp. Raymond Robinson

It has been a great honor and privilege to have served as Grand Superintendent of Huron District No. 6 and I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Principal and Past Principal of the District for the acclamation to this high office and also to the M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett for confirming my appointment.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. Stanley Lorraine Earl as my secretary who has been most efficient in the discharge of his services and most diligent in supporting me on all my official visits to the various Chapters in the District. To him and other Companions of all ranks within the District I am greatly indebted for their moral support and generous encouragement.

On Sunday, September 16, a divine service was held for the District in Trinity Anglican Church, Mitchell. The service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Godden and the sermon was delivered by the Rev. F. Tomkinson. We were honored by the presence of R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, Grand H., who read the lesson. I also assisted with this part of the service. A congenial fellowship hour followed the service.

My official visits were as follows:
May 22—Malloch Chapter No. 66, Seaforth
June 11—St. James Chapter No. 46, St. Marys
June 20—Havelock Chapter No. 63, Kincardine.
Sept 18—Huron Chapter No. 30, Goderich
Oct. 9—Lucknow Chapter No. 147, Lucknow
Oct 16—Lebanon Chapter No. 84, Wingham
Nov. 6—Bernard Chapter No. 145, Listowel
Nov. 7—Chantry Chapter No. 130, Southhampton
Nov 23—Tecumseh Chapter No. 24, Stratford
Dec. 4—Elliot Chapter No. 129, Mitchell

On all my official visitations I was cordially received and as the representative of the Grand First Principal welcomed with courteous dignity. At all visits except one a degree was conferred. Officers performed their duties most impressively.

An event of great importance in Huron District No. 6 was a reception for M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett. A banquet was held in the Anglican Church, after which the participating group adjourned to reconvene at the Lebanon Chapter hall for the conferring of the Holy Royal Arch Degree. The newly-formed Principals' Association sponsored this meeting. The Lebanon Chapter, Wingham, were the hosts for this successful fraternal endeavor.

On behalf of M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett I presented a 25-year Past Principal's jewel to R. Ex. Comp. Bert Dell of St. James Chapter.

He has served his Chapter and our District for a number of years most faithfully. A 25-year Past Principal's jewel was also presented by me to W. J. Halfnight of Elliot Chapter, Mitchell.

In conclusion may I again thank all the Companions of the District for their support and cooperation during my term of office. To my successor I extend heartiest congratulations and trust that to him may be directed the full support and generosity of the Companions which I have enjoyed.

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 7

Rt. Ex. Comp. R. H. Dilamarter

In my report on the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in Niagara District No. 7 I first wish to thank the past and present Companions for the confidence placed in me and the honor of being elected as Grand Superintendent and also to M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett in confirming my election.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. E. A. Lee as my secretary and V. Ex. Comp. the Rev. E. C. McCullagh as District Chaplain, both of whom were of great assistance to me. My sincere thanks to Ex. Comp. J. C. L. McKeand for acting for my secretary on two occasions when Ex. Comp. Lee was unable to be with me.

Following is the list of my official visits and degrees conferred:

Sept. 11—Hugh Murray No. 184, Fort Erie, M.M.M. (exemplified)
Oct. 4—King Hiram No. 57, Port Colborne, M.M.M.
Oct. 12—Mount Moriah No. 19, St. Catharines, M.E.M.
Oct. 15—McCallum No. 29, Dunnville, R.A.M.
Oct. 19—Mount Nebo No. 76, Niagara Falls, R.A.M.
Oct. 22—Smithville No. 240 (none)
Nov. 2—Niagara No. 55, Niagara-on-the-Lake, R.A.M.
Nov. 5—Grimsby No. 69, Grimsby, M.E.M.
Nov. 7—Willson No. 64, Welland, M.E.M. (exemplified)

I was received with dignity and respect on all my official visits. The fellowship that prevailed in all Chapters made my visits an easier task. Degrees were conferred in a very efficient manner and most Chapters have younger officers. At all visits I stressed the importance of the Masonic Instruction Committee which the Grand First Principal has formed this year. I wish to congratulate all Scribes E. for the neatness and good order their records were kept, also to the First Principals for their cooperation at all times.

Highlights of my year as Grand Superintendent were as follows:

June 5—Attended consecration and dedication of Scarboro Chapter No. 263 at Scarboro.

Sept. 11—Hugh Murray Chapter No. 184. Presented on behalf of the Grand First Principal a 25-year Past Principal's jewel to Ex. Comp. William J. Gorham, who is well known in other Masonic bodies and a very good friend of mine.

Sept. 26—A District Masonic Education meeting was held with the councils of the Chapters. The members of the Masonic Instruction Committee were present and explained the function and aims of the committee. A question and answer period followed. All but two Chapters were represented.

October 21—District divine service was held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Welland, with a very large turnout. V. Ex. Comp. the Rev. E. C. McCullagh, District Chaplain, gave a fine sermon, "The Stone Which the Builders Rejected." We wish to thank Rt. Ex.. Comp. Stanley Porch for being with us and also Ex. Comp. Forbes Christie, First Principal of Willson Chapter, for his work on the attendance.

October 24—District Principals' Association meeting was held at Niagara Falls with a good turnout of Companions.

October 26—Attended Especial Convocation of Hugh Murray Chapter at Fort Erie on their fiftieth anniversary in which they were honored with the presence of the Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, Rt. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton, Grand Scribe E., Rt. Ex. Comp. William E. Gardner, Grand Lecturer, and many District Past Grand Chapter officers. At the banquet following the meeting M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett gave an inspiring address. V. Ex. Comp. C. S. Boyd gave the history of Hugh Murray Chapter.

November 18—Attended District No. 5 divine church service at Hamilton with several Companions of our District. M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett and many present and past Grand Chapter officers were present.

January 18, 1963—Mount Nebo Chapter No. 76, Niagara Falls, presented a 25-year Past Principal's jewel to Ex. Comp. W. Springett and took part in the installation of officers.

February 1, 1963—Ladies' night at Niagara No. 55 where my good lady and I enjoyed a wonderful evening.

March 20, 1963—Principals' Association meeting where we had a chapter of instruction.

In closing I wish to say that the prospects for Royal Arch Masonry in this District are very favorable and again I thank all Companions for a year that will be in my memory for years to come, and to my successor may you give the same support and cooperation.

TORONTO DISTRICT No. 8

Rt. Ex. Comp. O. B. Dickinson

In compliance with the requirements of the constitution of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario I have the privilege to submit my report on the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in District 8.

May I first express my gratitude to those Principals of the Royal Arch Chapter of St. Andrew and St. John who nominated me for the office of Grand Superintendent and who encouraged and supported me during the year, to the Principals of the District for their good will and confidence in electing me and to M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett for confirming that election.

My first move in appointing Ex. Comp. Alex Lawrence as my secretary proved to be a wise and happy one.

The Masonic year now drawing to a close in District 8 has not been uneventful. Two of the three especial Grand Chapter Convocations have been in the District and Scarboro Chapter No. 263 received its warrant at the last Grand Chapter Convocation. M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett on June 7 presided at the consecration of Scarboro Chapter. He was accompanied by M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean and Rt. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay. The Grand First Principal presided at the dedication of the Chapter room in the new Masonic Temple in Uxbridge on September 17. M. Ex. Comp. J. M. Burden, Senior Past Grand Z., and Rt. Ex. Companions Hay and Girven accompanied him on this happy occasion.

High rents and uncertainty of our present accommodation has caused three Chapters to change their meeting places. The Beaches Chapter has moved from Balsam Avenue Temple to the new Scarboro Temple where expenses are still high. It would seem that the future of this Chapter will depend on the ability of First Principal and his Companions to obtain new members and to keep expenses and income in their proper perspective.

The St. Patrick and University Chapters have moved from Davenport Temple to less expensive quarters in the new temple in Thornhill. The future of both Chapters would seem to depend on whether members will travel this distance and on the ability of the Chapter to obtain new

members. Three Chapters in the District now meet in this temple in Thornhill. There is hope, but as yet nothing definite regarding adequate new accommodation in the city.

Many of the Chapters need more candidates to balance expense and income and to supply Chapter officers, particularly Beaver No. 225, Orient No. 79, St. Paul's No. 65, York No. 62 and my own Chapter, the mother Chapter of the District and city, the Royal Arch Chapter of St. Andrew and St. John No. 4. Beaver Chapter has more active Past Principals than active members. The Royal Arch Chapter of St. Andrew and St. John has exalted several promising candidates during the past two years, but this year has lost the services of two very competent officers whose employment requires them to live outside the city. An active recent Past Principal, on account of serious illness, had not been able to attend Chapter this year. This Chapter is also badly handicapped from far too few active recent Past Principals. Despite these difficulties the Chapter is sound in other respects and sufficient new members would and will, I feel, correct matters in time.

The out-of-town Chapters generally are in a prosperous condition. Aurora Chapter No. 235 had a very successful year and added several promising new members to its register. The same can be said of Victoria Chapter No. 205 in Thornhill. Whether this Chapter can now qualify as out-of-town is open to question with so many former city tenants in the new temple in Thorhill. Tyrian Chapter No. 258, Stouffville, is a new Chapter with few members, but both past Principals and members are active. All the past Principals attended inspection night. Succoth Chapter No. 135, Uxbridge, continues to prosper. The new Masonic Temple in Uxbridge is a credit to the craft in the town.

The colorful old King Solomon's Chapter No. 8 had a very successful year and so far appears to be coping with the high rents. St. Alban's Chapter No. 217 has taken in several new members this year. The new Scarboro Chapter No. 263, as expected, has had many exaltations with a present membership of over one hundred. The bylaws have recently been approved and are in the printers' hands. The records are now in good order and about complete. More members are needed to maintain what has been accomplished.

With but few exceptions the First Principals and Chapter officers for 1962 and 1963 are capable and interested. The quality of the candidates submitted during the past year has been exceptionally good. This high quality of officers and new members gives one confidence for the future. The Past Principals in most Chapters are active and their help appreciated by the officers.

Two complaints only have come to my attention. First, that meetings are frequently not opened on time; secondly, that some presiding officers depend too much on notes during their work in the Chapter.

The general and District committees on Masonic Instruction have been of much assistance. The work generally in the Chapters is good. Lack of uniformity in the work and setting up the Chapter in the intermediate degrees is gradually being corrected. The officers are all anxious to improve their work and appreciate assistance.

During the year three regular meetings have been devoted to instruction and a "District rehearsal" was held.

1. York Chapter officers with the assistance of appointed Grand Chapter officers conferred the Mark Master Degree in September. This, for one reason or another, was not well attended and accomplished little.

2. Ex. Comp. A. T. Williams, I.P.Z., The Beaches Chapter, with the assistance of the I.P.Z. of the District and Past Principals of The Beaches Chapter conferred the M.E.M. Degree. The attendance was good and the work well done. Unfortunately there was too little time for discussion

after the degree. At this meeting I had great pleasure presenting Ex. Comp. Edgar R. Ritcey with his 25-year Past Principal's jewel. Ex. Comp. Ritcey has been a consistent worker for this Chapter over the years.

3. The H.R.A. Degree was conferred in Tyrian Chapter, Stouffville, at their regular meeting in March on two promising candidates supplied by Scarboro Chapter. One officer from each Chapter in the District took part in the work. Ex. Comp. F. Warne and Ex. Comp. J. C. Mehaffy made the arrangements for me and to them and all who contributed and to those who arranged the other meetings my thanks are extended. The work was well done. After the completion of the degree our District chairman on Masonic Instruction, V. Ex. Comp. Turnbull, and Rt. Ex. Comp. J. J. Mehaffey at my request exemplified certain aspects of the degree that needed clarification. The attendance again was good and a good deal was accomplished.

4. The "District Rehearsal" was held in the Chapter room in Stouffville on Saturday, February 23. Tyrian Chapter and Richardson Masonic Hall Board donated these facilities, for which I am most grateful. This meeting too was well attended. Too much was attempted. Only the H.R.A. and Mark degrees could be dealt with. The District chairman on Masonic Instruction, V. Ex. Comp. James Turnbull, and the general chairman and their committees assisted. At my request Rt. Ex. Comp. Tannahill gave a talk on the procedure and etiquette at the banquet hour which was most instructive and helpful. My thanks are extended to all. This meeting, one feels, accomplished a good deal. In future only one degree should be dealt with at a session.

Death has claimed several active and esteemed Companions during the year in this District.

1. Ex. Comp. A. Keith MacLean, Z., St. Paul's Chapter No. 65. Ex. Comp. MacLean attended few meetings. Ex. Comps. J. F. Boehm, I.P.Z.; W. G. Addison, P.Z., and Dr. W. J. Yarmey, P.Z., presided for him.

2. Ex. Comp. John W. Chatel Z.-elect, St. Alban's Chapter No. 217. Ex. Comp. Chatel was never installed. Ex. Comp. Albert Baldwin, I.P.Z., presided throughout the year.

3. Ex. Comp. C. Lorne Ford, founder member and Superintendent of Works of the Scarboro Chapter, died in April.

4. V. Ex. Comp. W. R. McQuade, founder member and first Z. Aurora Chapter .1923). Comp. McQuade had remained active throughout the years in the Chapter. The last meeting before his death was my inspection when he took part in the work.

5. Rt. Ex. Comp. Elmer M. Woolcock, King Solomon's Chapter No. 8, P.G.S.N. Comp. Woolcock was active in Chapter and Royal Welfare until his death. He took part in the work at my inspection of the Chapter. His place in the Royal Arch Welfare work will be hard to fill.

6. Rt. Ex. Comp. George Jones, Orient Chapter, P.G. Superintendent. He had attended recent meetings of his Chapter.

The two Toronto Districts 8 and 8A held a point District divine service on October 28, 1962, at Walmer Road Baptist Church at which the Grand First Principal attended and read the lesson. He was accompanied by M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle. The Rev. Dr. Harvey Denton's sermon was most impressive. Rt. Ex. Comp. J. W. Arnold, formerly a member of this church, made the arrangements and most ably assisted the pastor with the service.

The Toronto Districts tendered a reception to the Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett on February 6, 1963, in York Masonic Temple. Oakwood Chapter gave their regular night for this function. The attendance was good. The Grand First Principal was accompanied by M. Ex. Comps. J. M. Burden and J. L. House and Rt. Ex. Comp. Girven. Our thanks are due to Ex. Comp. G. Hartley Howard and the officers in both

Districts and others who contributed to the success of the evening. M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett personally greeted the First Principals of 1962 and 1963. He was presented with an illuminated address and a silver tray for Mrs. Emmett. His address was most inspiring.

It has been my good fortune to have Rt. Ex. Comp. Arnold as a colleague in District 8A. His ability at organizing has been a great asset in the Toronto Districts this year and to him my thanks are due. He did me honor by attending my inspection of St. Paul's Chapter and I had the privilege of seeing him at work at the inspection of Ulster Chapter.

Attendance at most of the inspections has been good. I have been correctly received as befits the representative of the Grand First Principal. As I.P.Z. I have attended all Convocations and executive meetings of my own Chapter and have visited all Chapters in the District twice or more and hope to pay my respect to those 1963 officers not already visited before the end of my term of office.

I attended all but three installations. St. Paul's and Beaver were on the same night so only one could be attended. The joint installation of The St. Patrick and University was on the same night as the Scarboro. As I took part in the installation of the Scarboro in September I attended the other.

The Grand First Principal has been pleased to visit the District on two other occasions. On June 13, accompanied by M. Ex. Comp. M. S. Gooderham, he attended St. Paul's Chapter when he presented V. Ex. Comp. Dr. Howard Lane, Grand Director of Ceremonies, with his regalia. In November he visited York Chapter to receive a presentation. As there was no work the evening was devoted to Masonic instruction, which proved very helpful. He has accepted an invitation from Ex. Comp. Bellamy to visit the Royal Arch Chapter of St. Andrew and St. John on April 8, Master Masons night.

The Royal Arch Masonic Welfare Committee in Toronto Districts 8 and 8A has been active under capable and enthusiastic leadership. Many regular helpers assist at the functions but still more are needed in this admirable work.

Ex. Comp. Keith L. Bellamy, Z., and officers of my mother Chapter tendered me a reception on our regular night in May which was well attended by Chapter officers of the District. I shall be forever grateful for their kindness.

Victoria Chapter held its annual church service at the Presbyterian Church in Richmond Hill on May 6. This was well attended. Bro. the Rev. Hepburn's sermon on I Samuel 16: 7 was outstanding. I read the lesson from St. Luke 18: 1-14. This was my first official act on taking office. Ex. Comp, Poole and his Companions are to be congratulated.

Mrs. Dickinson joins me in thanking the First Principals and their Chapters for the many invitations and the hospitality accorded us during the year. We offer our sincere thanks to all concerned.

To name and adequately thank all who assisted me during the year would be quite impossible in this report. I would be remiss if I did not name Rt. W. Bro. A. E. MacGregor, Grand Lodge Librarian; V. Ex. Comp. James Turnbull, District chairman on Masonic Instruction, and my three immediate predecessors and their secretaries. Rt. Ex. Comp. John J. Mehaffey inspected the working of Scarboro Chapter for me and Rt. Ex. Comp. William N. Holywell attended The Beaches Chapter installation on my behalf. Rt. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton, Grand Scribe E., and Rt. Ex. Comp. W. E. Gardner, Grand Lecturer, have been most co-operative at all times. To all I offer my grateful thanks.

To have served you, Companions of Districts 8, as your Grand Superintendent has been a privilege. May the God of Love and Peace delight to dwell with you and bless you for everymore.

TORONTO DISTRICT 8A

Rt. Ex. Comp. J. W. Arnold

It is with the greatest of pleasure that I submit to you my report on the condition of Capitular Masonry in Toronto District 8A. May I first express my gratitude to the officers and members of the constituent Chapters of the District for their kindness and support and to M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett for confirming my appointment.

During the year I have visited all Chapters and can sincerely report that I found no Chapter in the District incapable of conferring either of the two degrees or the order of the Holy Royal Arch. Some Chapters need leadership and encouragement. In many Chapters participation in the musical accompaniment is practically non-existent.

In most Chapters, except for the nights of installation or inspection, the attendance is poor. Sidebenchers by and large are few and far between. This condition gives no incentive to either officers or sidebenchers and leaves a poor impression with the candidates. In the fact of these conditions the loyalty and enthusiasm of the officers is to be admired.

The largest single problem to be faced in the District is that of vanishing accommodation and rising costs of Chapter room facilities. The District, now consisting of some 14 Chapters, could, I feel, within five years be reduced to twelve or even eleven by force of circumstances. Basic failure to obtain Chapter room accommodation within the ability of the Chapters to pay may well force two or more Chapters to merge. New, more modern Chapter rooms are needed within the city of Toronto. These should have walk-in entrances and elevator facilities. Too many Companions with angina or coronary conditions are barred from their Chapters by the excessive climbing of stairs.

Schools of Instruction have been held in all degrees as follows:

March 5, 1963—Peel Chapter, H.R.A.
March 14, 1963—St. Clair Chapter, M.M.M.
April 3, 1963—Mimico Chapter, M.E.M.

The work at all Schools of Instruction has been presented by members of the Ruling Principals' Council of the District. This body is a tower of strength in the District and needs encouragement and support. It forms an excellent means of training the ruling councils of the constituent Chapters.

Inspections have been made in all Chapters. All records have been found to be in good condition. All newly elected officers have been properly installed throughout the District. In this connection may I express my appreciation of the assistance rendered me by Ex. Comp. K. Denison who has served as my secretary.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT NO. 9

Rt. Ex. Comp. E. Lorne Jackson

In submitting my report on the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in Georgian District No. 9, I take this opportunity to express my appreciation and thanks to the Principals of Georgian District for permitting Seguin Chapter No. 261 to have the privilege and honour of having the Grand Superintendent this year, and I am very grateful that the choice fell upon me. I thank the Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, for confirming my election.

I was very fortunate to have Ex. Comp. Hugh Graham of Orillia to act as my Secretary. He has been a great help to me.

A District Meeting was held in Manitou Chapter, No. 27, Collingwood, on May 25, 1962. At this time all Chapters were represented and the dates for the official visits were established.

The District turned down a Divine Church Service for 1962, but I

had the privilege of attending Divine Service with Couchiching Chapter on Sunday, September 30, which was well attended. Some of the Companions came from District 10.

It was my privilege as a Grand Chapter Officer to attend an Emergent Meeting of Grand Chapter in Burlington on April 23rd for the Dedication of King David Chapter No. 262, and on October 13 the dedication of the New Chapter Room at Uxbridge. May 11th I attended Couchiching Chapter on the occasion of the visit of the Grand First Principal, The M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett. Another important event was held in Seguin Chapter No. 261, Parry Sound, on June 15, on the occasion of their first Birthday. The Grand First Principal Charles W. Emmett not only honoured us with his presence but gave an enlightning address, after Chapter closed, to the Companions and to the Blue Lodge members who had been invited to the meeting by the various Chapters. Among the many distinguished visiting Companions was Rt. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven, Grand J.

Beside my official visits, I have made one or more visits to every Chapter in the District and I have found the officers very devoted and earnest Royal Arch Masons. A lot of them have not studied the small print or the booklets of instructions supplied to the Chapters. I have found in some Chapters that these Booklets and Instructions have not been passed on to the Officers who consequently know nothing about them. The proper distribution of this important literature would help the officers in their work, especially in the proper way to set up the Chapter room or the Lodge room for the various degrees. In every case I have pointed out to the officer concerned the correct method, and to receive the answer, "We have always done it that way here." I informed them that changes have been made and they should strive to be up to date.

My Official Visits were as follows:

No. 261, Seguin Chapter, Parry Sound, Oct. 2, 1962, M.M.M. Degree.

No. 33, Signet Chapter, Barrie, Oct. 9th, M.M.M. Degree. At this meeting Rt. Ex. Comp. W. E. Gardner presented a fifty-year jewel to Comp. J. E. Fleetham on behalf of the Grand First Principal.

No. 198, Couchiching Chapter, Orillia, Oct. 12th, M.E.M. Degree.

No. 56, Georgian Chapter, Owen Sound, Oct. 16. There being no Degree work, I arranged for Ex. Comp. David P. Law, and Ex. Comp. Rennie Garen, as Members of the Masonic Education Committee, to give some instruction. At this meeting I had the honor, on behalf of the Grand First Principal, to present a fifty year Jewel to Rt. Ex. Comp. Van Wyck.

No. 131, Amabel Chapter, Wiarton, Jan. 11th, 1963, R.A. Degree.
No. 27, Manitou Chapter, Collingwood, Jan. 23rd, M.E.M. Degree.
No. 167, Kichikewana Chapter, Midland, Feb. 11th, M.E.M. Degree.

At all the meetings I have tried to give something instructive with regard to the degree that was put on at that meeting.

On all my official visits I was properly received as the representative of the Most Excellent The Grand First Principal, and found the Officers very interested and anxious to know the proper procedure.

I found the instruction and literature the Grand Superintendents received at Grand Chapter most helpful.

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 10

Rt. Ex. Comp. Lloyd G. Parliament

In presenting my report on the condition of Capitular Masonry in Ontario District No. 10, may I first express my sincere thanks to the

past and present Principals for the honor conferred on me and through me to King Darius Chapter No. 134. I would again like to convey my thanks to M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett for confirming my election.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. E. G. Rixon, of King Darius Chapter as my secretary. I wish to thank him most sincerely for his loyal assistance throughout my year in office.

On Monday, April 30, St. Johns Chapter No. 48, Cobourg, celebrated their ninetieth anniversary, at the same time honouring V. Ex. Comp. Archie Bowman, who is sixty-three years a Royal Arch Mason. I was unable to attend with our delegation owing to sickness. All report a wonderful evening.

One June 22 I was invited, along with my secretary, to attend the annual picnic of Corinthian Chapter No. 36, Peterborough, an evening that will long be remembered.

A Chapter of Instruction was held in Victoria Chapter, No. 37, Port Hope, on September 22 under the direction of Rt. Ex. Comp. A. Watkins. The Holy Royal Arch Degree was exemplified with the Ruling First Principals of the District doing most of the work.

I was present in Warkworth Chapter when Rt. Ex. Comp. Harry Ewing presented Ex. Comp. Meiklejohn and Ex. Comp. Smooker with their 25-year Past Principal's jewel.

The District Church Service was held on Sunday, October 14, in St. John's Anglican Church, Peterborough, with approximately one hundred Companions of the District in attendance. A very inspiring address was delivered by Ex. Comp. Canon H. H. Hesketh.

On behalf of Corinthian Chapter, No. 36, Peterborough, I presented V. Ex. Comp. Roy Matthews, Grand Junior Sojourner, with his Grand Chapter Regalia.

On behalf of Grand Chapter I presented Comp. H. R. Blade with his 50 year a Royal Arch Mason Jewel.

I presented V. Ex. Comp. J. H. Connors on behalf of Pentalpha Chapter No. 28, Oshawa, with his Grand Chapter regalia on his being appointed Grand Steward.

My visits of Inspection to the Chapters and degrees conferred are as follows:

June 5—Pentalpha No. 28, Oshawa—H.R.A.
Sept. 26—Corinthian No. 36, Peterorough—M.M.M.
Oct. 5—Excelsior No. 45, Colborne—M.M.M. Exemp.
Oct. 12—Victoria No. 37, Port Hope—M.M.M.
Oct. 15—Ionic No. 168, Campbellford—M.E.M.
Oct. 17—King Darius, No. 134, Cannington—M.M.M.
Oct. 18—Midland No. 94, Lindsay—M.E.M.
Nov. 12—Keystone No. 35, Whitby—H.R.A.
Nov. 14—Warkworth No. 110, Warkworth—M.M.M. Exmp.
Nov. 27—St. Johns No. 48, Cobourg—M.E.M.
Dec. 17—Palestine No. 249, Bowmanville—H.R.A.

I visited all Chapters at least twice and some more often. I received the most cordial and fraternal welcome as the representative of the Grand First Principal on all my visits. The "Travelling Keystone" accompanied me on all official visits.

The officers of the different Chapters are taking a keen interest in their work and are actively supported by the rest of the Companions.

On Saturday, February 22, Corinthian Chapter No. 36, Peterborough, was hosts to Ontario District No. 10 and held a reception and dinner to honour Most Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett. He was accompanied by Rt. Ex. Comp. J. Girven, Grand J. Most Ex. Comp. Bruce Smith, Most Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle and Companions of Grand Executive. There were over one

hundred Companions who along with their ladies sat down to a lovely dinner. The guest speaker, M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett, delivered a timely and worthwhile address.

The Masonic Education Committee under the Chairmanship of V. Ex. Comp. F. Warren made several visits and were well received.

In conclusion I would like to express my thanks for the spirit of support and co-operation extended to me, which has been unselfishly given by Grand Chapter officers present and past and members of the Constituent Chapters in the District.

To my successor may I offer my whole-hearted co-operation and assistance that this year will be as rewarding for him as it has been for me.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 12

Rt. Ex. Comp. A. L. Wheeler

As my term of office as Grand Superintendent is drawing to a close, first let me express my sincere gratitude to the chapters of St. Lawrence District No. 12 for the honour conferred upon Leeds Chapter No. 132 and myself in electing me to this high office and also to M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett for his kindness in confirming the same.

My first act upon assuming this office was to appoint Ex. Comp. Wm. Geo. Tryon as my secretary. He accompanied me on all my official visits on inspection and performed the duties of his office with efficiency and distinction. His friendly counsel and suggestions have been helpful and I feel confident that his contacts with the Scribes E. of the various Chapters in the District have been appreciated. He reported the records of each Chapter were well kept and in good order. I am very grateful to him for the assistance he has rendered me in the performance of my official duties.

A District meeting of the Principals of St. Lawrence District was held on Friday, June 8, 1962. Twenty-eight Principals representing six of the seven Chapters in the District were present. At this meeting I endeavored to acquaint the Chapter Principals with some of the rules and regulations of Grand Chapter, discussed the church parade for the District, and distributed Grand Chapter Histories.

District Divine Church Service was held on Sunday, September 30, 1962. Approximately 40 Chapter members heard a very inspiring sermon preached by Rev. F. W. Hewitt, rector of Grace United Church, Gananoque, Ont.

My official visits were as follows, each Chapter conferring or exemplifying a degree:

Sept. 25—Leeds, No. 132, Gananoque.
Oct. 9—Grenville, No. 22, Prescott.
Oct. 11—Maitland, No. 68, Kemptville.
Oct. 15—St. Johns, No. 112, Morrisburg
Oct. 17—Covenant, No. 113, Cornwall.
Nov. 5—Sussex-St. Lawrence, No. 59, Brockville.
Nov. 16—Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui, No. 1, Kingston.

On all my official visits I was received with dignity and honor as the representative of the Most Ex. Grand First Principal. In all the Chapters in which degrees were conferred I was greatly impressed with the high standards of efficiency and zeal of the officers and other participants. It was most encouraging to encounter the true spirit of brotherhood and goodwill that was evident on all of these occasions.

On September 29th, 1962, along with several Companions of Leeds Chapter, I had the pleasure of attending International Night in Massena, New York, sponsored by Covenant Chapter No. 113 of Cornwall and

Massena Chapter of New York States. I feel that these gatherings do much to promote goodwill and real companionship between our two great Grand Jurisdictions and a real feeling of friendship between two great countries.

The St. Lawrence District was very fortunate in having the distinct honour of the presence of our Grand First Principal, Most Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett on two occasions. The first occasion was on Monday, October 1st, when Sussex-St. Lawrence Chapter, Brockville, received the Grand First Principal and a goodly number of Royal Arch Companions of St. Lawrence District heard a very inspiring address from M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett. On Friday, October 19, Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui Chapter, No. 1 Royal Arch Masons received Most Ex. Comp. Emmett on his official visit to St. Lawrence District.

At time of writing this report plans for a Lodge of Instruction to be held in Sussex-St. Lawrence Chapter rooms are incomplete. However, the formative plans have been laid and it is hoped that this instructive meeting will be held for the benefit of all Royal Arch Masons of St. Lawrence District.

I have been requested by Leeds Chapter, No. 132, to present, on behalf of M. Ex. Comp. E. W. Emmett, to Ex. Comp. Wm. Wright his 25-year Past Principal's jewel on March 26, 1963, which will be the Convocation of Leeds Chapter.

It is with some degree of dissatisfaction that I must report a decrease in membership for St. Lawrence District, No. 12 for the year 1962.

I feel that the overall picture of Royal Arch Masonry in the district is very good; and with the excellent calibre and fine work of the Principals of the various Chapters this decrease will in the not too distant future be erased and a substantial gain shown.

In conclusion, I have esteemed it a very high honour to have had the privilege of serving as Grand Superintendent, and I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation to all members of Grand Chapter and to the Principals and Past Principals of St. Lawrence District, No. 12, for their generosity and cooperation and all those who have made my term so pleasant with fraternal associations. May I bespeak for my successor the same loyal support which has been so generously extended to me.

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 13

Rt. Ex. Comp. M. P. Morris

It is my pleasure to submit my report on the condition of Capitular Masonry in District No. 13.

May I first express my sincere thanks to the Principals, past and present, for the honor they conferred upon me and through me on Maple Chapter No. 116 in elevating me to the high office of Grand Superintendent. I also extend my humble thanks to Most Excellent Companion Charles W. Emmett in Confirming my Election.

It was my very pleasant duty and privilege to appoint Ex. Comp. Walter W. Whyte as my secretary, who has been most efficient in his services, has extended loyal support and co-operation, and I owe him my sincere thanks for his services in making my task a most enjoyable one.

A District meeting was held on May 26 in Maple Chapter room in Carleton Place for the purpose of instruction with a very good attendance of Principals, Grand Chapter Officers and Companions. This gave me the opportunity of bringing to the attention of all Chapters up-to-date instructions from Grand Chapter. It was agreed that a condensed history be prepared from the old District minute book, which has been in use for the past sixty years, and now repaired and retired, a copy of same

to be available for the Chapters in the District. V. Ex. Comp. W. C. Pescott, R. Ex. Comp. W. H. Edwards and V. Ex. Comp. S. Taylor agreed to attend to this task. Light refreshments were served at the conclusion of the meeting.

On Sunday, June 3rd, I attended Divine Service with the Companions of St. Francis Chapter No. 113 at Trinity United Church, Smiths Falls. I also attended Divine Service with the Companions of my own Chapter, Maple No. 116, and many visiting Companions, at St. James Anglican Church, Carleton Place. I was privileged to read the lesson in St. James Church where I have the honor of being the Rector's Warden.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

Sept. 6th—Granite No. 61, Almonte.
Sept. 13th—Laurentian No. 151, Pembroke.
Sept. 17th—Bonnechere No. 114, Renfrew.
Sept. 27th—Ottawa No. 222, Ottawa.
Oct. 1st—Dochert No. 248, Arnprior.
Oct. 5th—St. John No. 148, Vankleek Hill.
Oct. 10th—Kitchener No. 216, Russell.
Oct. 17th—Carleton No. 16, Ottawa.
Oct. 19th—St. Francis No. 133, Smiths Falls.
Oct. 26th—Glengarry No. 143, Maxville.
Nov. 7th—Maple No. 116, Carleton Place.
Nov. 15th—Prince of Wales No. 226, Perth.

On all these official visits I was most graciously and cordially received and with the dignity befitting the representative of the Grand First Principal. Degrees were conferred by each of the Chapters visited and the work was of a high standard, most officers being well conversant with the work and conferred the degree in a very impressive manner.

It was my pleasure to attend two social evenings in the District given in honor of our Grand First Principal Most Excellent Companion Charles W. Emmett, Maple Chapter, Carleton Place, on Thursday, Sept. 20th, and Carleton Chapter, Ottawa, on Friday, Nov. 16th. In both cases Most Excellent Companion Emmett delivered a most inspiring address to the Companions and brethren present.

It was greatly honored to have the privilege of presenting 25 year Past Principal's Jewels to two Ex Companions of Maple Chapter—Ex. Comp. L. E. Pye and E. Comp. J. G. Craig, and a 60-year membership jewel to V. E. Comp. J. D. Leitch in Laurentian Chapter, Pembroke.

It was my pleasure to attend International Night at Massena, N.Y., on October 20th. This is a social evening which is held once a year and sponsored alternately by Massena Chapter No. 300, Massena, N.Y., and Covenant Chapter No. 113, of Cornwall. Many Grand Chapter Officers of New York State were present as well as Rt. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven, our Grand J., and Rt. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton, Grand Scribe E. I was also privileged to visit Central City Chapter, Syracuse, N.Y., with my good Companions of Ottawa Chapter and other Companions of the District on Saturday, October 20. We were graciously received and many courtesies were extended to us. Ottawa Chapter exemplified the Mark Degree in the evening in a most efficient manner. On January 3 I visited Coronation Chapter, Aylmer Road, Quebec, on a special invitation from V. Ex. Comp. Grant Garriott of Carleton Chapter, Ottawa, and now a member of Coronation Chapter, who was invested that evening as First Principal. I was pleased to bring greetings from our Grand First Principal at this Convocation.

On January 2nd I had the pleasure of assisting Rt. Ex. Comp. W. Howard Edwards with the installation and investiture of the Officers of Maple Chapter No. 116.

Two other pleasant evenings I enjoyed this past year were very

special social events I had the privilege of attending with my good wife, Ottawa Chapter's "At Home" on November 29th and Carleton Chapter's Christmas Party on December 15th.

The overall picture of Capitular Masonry in the Ottawa District is good with the Chapter Officers being particularly enthusiastic and endeavoring to promote interest and goodwill among the Companions. The only disappointing factor in our Chapters is the small percentage of attendance throughout the year as shown on the attendance report. During my visits I endeavoured to bring a short message of interest on the degree that was worked and again at the banquet hour I tried to leave a thought that should make us better Masons.

In closing I wish to thank all the Companions of this District for their wholehearted support and co-operation extended to me during my term of office. Special thanks to those Companions who gave of their valuable time to accompany me on all or most of my visits. My grateful thanks to the officers and members of Maple Chapter No. 116 for their loyal support and assistance.

May I bespeak for my successor the same loyal support and kindness so generously extended to me.

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 14

Rt. Ex. Comp. W. S. Shaver

First I wish to thank the Principals, Past Principals and the Companions of Algoma District No. 14, who made possible a most vivid recollection of thirty-seven years friendships, fraternal and otherwise in this vast area by electing me to represent the Grand First Principal, and to M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett in his confirmation of my election. My term of office has been a most gratifying experience.

Owing to the vast area to be covered and the distances to travel to make a visit I was unable to secure a P.Z. to act as secretary for the term. I would however extend my thanks and appreciation to both Lakehead Chapters and Officers and members who accompanied me to Atikokan. To Ex. Comps. W. H. Cheetham and T. Hill who accompanied me to Fort Frances and to Ex. Comp. H. J. Sutherland and Comp. F. Page who made the Dryden-Sioux Lookout visitation. My thanks also to Comps. G. Barber, J. Gadowski, and J. Fair, who assisted in making possible my acceptance of the office, along with other Companions of Fort William Chapter.

This term of office as Grand Superintendent of Algoma District No. 14 is nearing its completion. It is approached with a deep feeling that the incumbent seems to leave so much for his successor to complete, yet after covering the Chapters one realizes that the new Grand Superintendent will find a view completely new to him, and, will like myself, experience that wealth of friendship and fellowship so heartily extended in our northwestern section of this province. May I say that every point I visited reminiscences occurred from the Red Lake Gold Rush days to recent developments and leaves me wishing to re-visit all those in the area again.

My official visits were arranged, dated and completed as follows. To illustrate the distances the trip mileages are recorded.

May 14—Quetico Chapter No. 259, Atikoken, Ont.—284 miles return.
May 17—Atwood Chapter No. 149, Rainy River—570 miles return.
May 21—Golden Star Chapter No. 254, Dryden—460 miles return.
June 4—Fort William Chapter, No. 140, Fort William.
June 9—Golden Star Chapter No. 254 UD, Sioux Lookout, 506 miles return.
Sept. 26—Golden Chapter No. 90, Kenora, Ont.—620 miles return.
Oct. 9—Alberton Chapter, No. 152, Fort Frances—566 miles return.

Oct. 17—Shuniah Chapter No. 82, Port Arthur.
Nov. 24—Alberton Chapter No. 152 UD, Fort Frances, 566 miles return.

On May 14 a joint party from Shuniah and Fort William Chapters made the trip to Atikokan, Ont. After early evening dinner the Companions adjourned to the Temple where the officers capably demonstrated their competence. While there were no degrees on this occasion they have had three petitions which have been processed. This is our youngest Chapter and despite the fact that their area has been declared a disaster area due to changes in their iron mining industry on which they depend, the Companions have at all times taken the work to heart, do an excellent job in it and continue to progress. It is with great satisfaction that we of the District see them presenting as my successor Ex. Comp. Lambert J. O. Sundin. I feel that he will make an excellent contribution to the work in the District.

May 17, Atwood Chapter, Rainy River. Here again we encounter difficulties due to the railway moving out its terminal. Rail terminal work is the main industry and source of employment. While Atwood has not been successful in petitions, its spirit and companion co-operativeness to keep alive is outstanding. Companions from the surrounding Chapters are regular visitors and make their meetings interesting. Their visitors average is six per convocation, the highest in the district. Atwood is to be commended on its member's spirit. They have enthusiastic officers and it is expected this factor with the Companions' support will ensure their survival.

May 21, Golden Star Chapter, Dryden. This was my mother Chapter and here I renewed acquaintances with whom I had been associated in other walks of life years ago. Despite the holiday weekend a goodly turnout was on hand for the meeting which was preceded by an informal dinner. The evening was rounded out with a round table discussion on our craft work. On June 9th I returned to Golden Star's meeting UD at Sioux Lookout. Here again I was in old and familiar territory. Golden Star very successfully put on the Mark and Most Excellent Degrees in the afternoon. This was followed by a banquet in the basement hall and catered to by the ladies. After banquet ceremonies we adjourned again to labor and the Holy Royal Arch was conferred on ten candidates. One affiliate was also welcomed. Golden Star is to be complimented on this effort. It was well organized, their officers well skilled and the day went excellently with the class much impressed with the work.

June 4, Fort William Chapter 140, now my home Chapter. Excellent Companion H. J. Sutherland and his officers had arranged what was called "Let's Get Together Night." The night was a real heart-warmer for me. As it well known throughout our District my efforts have in the past been bent to securing candidates. On this occasion I believe every available Companion with whom I had been associated with in his exaltation was present. When I surveyed the assembly and officers I felt deeply happy in heart and "For my Brethren and Companions' sake. Peace be within Thee, Because of the House of the Lord our God I will seek thy good" seemed to loom large before me. To receive their handshakes and congratulations on my appointment to this office seemed to imbue each of us with a pride in belonging and working together.

Sept. 26, Golden Chapter No. 90, Kenora, Ont. To visit Golden was to me a golden experience. Here in the extreme north westerly Chapter in the District I was met by Companions with whom I had worked in other fields. After an informal dinner served at the Kenricia Hotel we repaired to the Chapter room where the meeting was opened and I was received in due form. No degrees were put on at this meeting, although Golden has had a busy year with eight petitions. All of the officers had

their work well in control. Following the meeting a most enjoyable social hour was held and discussion on education and instruction was pursued. It is felt that Golden has rich and rewarding years ahead.

Alberton Chapter, No. 152, Oct. 9th. My official visit was paid on Oct. 9th and after dinner, served in the Rainy Lake Hotel, I was received in due form at the regular convocation. I was very interested in this Chapter's Officers and Membership committee efforts and results. They had what was considered a sure fire productive campaign in operation. Fortunately it did not pay off as expected and some misgivings appeared as the deadline approached. To their amazement the foreboding failures became a hearty success. Instead of the several candidates they had on promise so many new angles opened up that their committee came up with a slate of 9 petitions. This left their first plan of calls still open and they discovered new ways and means of adding to membership. I made it a point to return to Fort Frances for their meeting held November 24. On this Saturday afternoon the class of nine were marked and acknowledged. Following dinner to which the candidates were honored along with visitors, Chapter was opened and the Royal Arch conferred. On this occasion I was accompanied by Ex. Comp. W. H. Cheetham, Chairman of Masonic Instruction of this District, and Ex. Comp. T. Hill of Shuniah Chapter. Ex. Comp. Langstaff had this field day very well organized. All officers were proficient in their work and the degrees were impressively put on.

On behalf of the visiting party from the Lakehead may I voice our sincere thanks to Alberton Chapter for a most enjoyable experience in the work, and to Rt. Ex. Comp. S. R. L. Newman and Mrs. Newman for their hospitality and enlightening tour of the area and explanations on their expansion and progress on the all Canadian road from the Lakehead west.

Shuniah Chapter, Oct. 17th. Visiting Shuniah Chapter, Port Arthur, is not an unusual experience as their close proximity does not present the problem of an organized trip. Visit was made on their regular convocation and no degrees were on the agenda. I was duly received and welcomed by Ex. Comp. Dilley. I found Shuniah at its always good performance. I have visited this Chapter on other degree occasions and have found their officers proficient in the work.

On September 12 a joint convocation of the Lakehead Chapters on the occasion of the visit of our Grand First Principal Charles W. Emmett and suite. Informal evening dinner was partaken of in Trinity Church Hall and was well attended by both Chapters as well as visitors from Atikokan Chapter. At our joint convocation the Royal Arch Degree was bestowed on a class of candidates from both Lakehead Chapters. Our Most Excellent First Princinal set all the officers at ease and the work was put on in good form. The occasion of his visit was marked with a silver service presentation from both Chapters. I had the honor of making this presentation to the Most Excellent Sir. During the social hour the Grand First Principal stressed the need for the work to be portrayed in the most clear and earnest manner so that the lessons would make a lasting and beneficial effect on the recipients.

On all my official visits I was properly received and duly escorted to Eastern imminence. Inspection of books was carried out and found to be in order. The officers have their work well in hand and are proficient.

Fort William Chapter, recognizing the value of the pamphlet put out by Grand Chapter last year on a the explanation of the degrees, took this pamphlet in hand and printed a number so that I could take a small supply to each Chapter on my visits. For this service we are grateful to Comp. C. V. Bates who cut the stencils for us. These were presented to the Chapters Principals for their education committee to work on.

On all visits the work of our new Masonic Education Committee was pointed up. Due to the size of the District our District Chairman Ex. Comp. W. H. Cheetham of Shuniah Chapter, Port Arthur, had two assistant chairmen appointed to assist him, one in Fort Frances and one in Kenora. This reduces the travelling so that no one has to travel over 20 miles and all Chapters receive coverage. Notice of this committee's availability is to appear on all notices and it is felt that this committee will be of real assistance as they get worked into the job.

My visits found the District Chapters impressed with our Grand Chapter's principal officers whom they had met and complimentary remarks were forthcoming on your willingness to visit and assist even in remote Districts despite the heavy fraternal schedule maintained in the denser populated areas. It is felt that with the adept dispatch of business, the accessibility and condencension of our Grand Principal, officers and the introduction of young, vigorous leadership much is being accomplished to strengthen Royal Arch Masonry throughout Ontario.

Algoma District shows an increase of ten members. Delinquent dues appear more noticeable in the larger Chapters and it is recommended that it be given immediate attention.

NEW ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 15

Rt. Ex. Comp. A. S. Haley

It is a pleasure to report on the conditions of Capitular Masonry in New Ontario District.

May I express my gratitude to the Excellent Companions of New Ontario District who honored my mother Chapter, St. Johns No. 103, by electing me to the Office of Grand Superintendent and I thank Most Excellent Companion Charles W. Emmett for his kindness, consideration and understanding in having Rt. Excellent Companion F. Johnston travel to North Bay to confirm my election, when I was unable to remain in Toronto to receive it.

Rt. Excellent Companion Johnston conferred this degree in a most impressive manner which was enjoyed by Companions from Sault Ste. Marie, Espanola, Sudbury, North Bay and Temiskaming, Quebec.

My first duty, after my election was confirmed, was to appoint Excellent Companion Harold Haley (my brother) as my secretary. Sorry to say my brother passed away on December 17th, 1962.

Official visits were scheduled and carried out in all Chapters. The work as conferred left little room for comment. Sincerity, dignity and decorum were the key notes. I was properly received on all occasions and with cordiality and dignity as befits the representative of the Most Excellent Grand First Principal.

All books and records were well kept and up to date.

Each Chapter was visited once, visits were as follows:
Sept. 28th—Algonquin No. 102, Saulte Ste. Marie.
Oct. 16th—Espanola No. 257, Espanola.
Nov. 1st—St. Johns. No. 103, North Bay.
Nov. 23th—Tuscan No. 95, Sudbury.

On all visits, in addition to speaking on membership, I stressed attendance.

Helped set up the Chapter Instruction Committee for the district, which is functioning very nicely.

In conclusion may I thank the officers, past and present, throughout the District for their kind and courteous receptions extended to me during my term of office. To my successor I extend my best wishes and assure him my fullest support.

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 16

Rt. Ex. Comp. H. C. Coull

As my term of office draws to a close it is a privilege and honor to report the condition of Capitular Masonry in Temiskaming District.

It has been a pleasure to have served as Grand Superintendent of Temiskaming District No. 16, and I would like to take this opportunity of expressing my gratitude to the Chapters of the District for supporting my nomination and especially to Most Ex. Comp. Chas. W. Emmett for confirming my appointment.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. William A. Bowman as my secretary, and I am very pleased that I did, as he has turned out to be an excellent secretary as well as a companion on my travels around the District.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

June 16—Temiskaming Chapter No. 169.

June 20—Timmins Chapter No. 213.

June 27—Kirkland Lake Chapter No. 251.

Oct. 31—Abitibi Chapter No. 223.

I visited each chapter several times during my term of office, and was very pleased with the manner in which they received me as the official representative of the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal.

At each visit there were degrees put on, with the exception of Abitibi Chapter, who exemplified a Mark Master Masons Degree for my benefit.

There was a district meeting held in New Liskeard at the summer camp of Ex. Comp. W. A. Bowman, on June 17, 1962, and three of the Chapters were represented. This meeting was very fruitful, as we discussed plans for the year, and decided to invite the Most Ex. Chas. W. Emmett to visit our District at a later date.

On October 27, 1962, Most Ex. Comp. Chas. W. Emmett visited the District, and was received in Kirkland Lake Chapter, who were the hosts. The reception was in the form of a banquet, which was enjoyed by all who attended. This was followed by a District church service Sunday morning, Oct. 28, 1962.

I am sorry that we can not have the Most Excellent back again during my term of office.

I fully intended to have a Chapter of Instruction in the month of February, 1963, but owing to circumstances I was unable to do so. I sincerely hope that my successor will avail himself of the services of the Masonic Instruction committee to put on a Chapter of Instruction.

At this time I would like to assure you that Capitular Masonry in the north is on the move, at the present time there are some twenty applications being processed in the four Chapters, and more expected shortly.

In closing, I wish to assure you that I have done my best and wish again to thank all the Companions of the District for their loyalty and support during my year of office, and I know my successor will receive all the support and acts of kindness that have been afforded me. To him my heartiest congratulations, and may he have a very prosperous and happy year.

GRAND TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

To the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Grand "Z." and Companions:

I submit herewith Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the period March 1, 1962—February 28, 1963.

GENERAL ACCOUNT
RECEIPTS

Balance—February 28, 1962			$6,658.83
Received from Grand Scribe "E.":			
Rebate of Executive Committee expenses		$ 197.06	
Recepits from Chapters		20,600.20	
Grand Convocation receipts		1,635.00	
Transfer from Life Membership Fund		1,457.60	
Transfer from Chapters' Life Membership Fund		17.75	
Interest on investments		2,705.00	
Sales to other Grand Chapters		489.20	
Sale of History		748.00	
Refund on Grand "Z" travelling expense		74.00	
Bank loan		5,000.00	
Sundries		2.70	
Balance of account, Cobalt Chapter		52.30	
			32,978.81
			$39,637.64

DISBURSEMENTS

Grand Scribe "E" office:			
Special	$1,199.72		
Regular	4,800.00		
Compensation		$5,999.72	
Assistants		2,962.00	
Rent		2,400.00	
Miscellaneous		1,457.94	
Printing:			
Proceedings		1,671.95	
General		426.75	
Travelling:			
Grand "Z."		2,074.00	
General		148.00	
Expenses:			
Grand Convocation		5,999.71	
Grand Executive		1,947.60	
Grand Historian and Reviewer		300.00	
Audit fee		500.00	
Jewels, medals and engraving		739.21	
Education and instruction		724.21	
Masonic Library		125.00	
Canadian Masonic Research Association		50.00	
Transfer to Chapters' Life Membership Fund			
Printing supplies for resale		2,420.25	
Grand "Z.," regalia		25.08	
Purchase of equipment		354.22	
Bank loan interest		163.62	
Repayment of bank loan		2,000.00	32,489.26
Balance as at February 28, 1963			7,148.38
			$39,637.64

VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance February 28, 1962		$3,503.17	
Received from Grand Scribe "E.":			
Interest on investments	$2,212.06		
Donation	100.00		
Bank interest	105.73		
		2,417.79	
			5,920.96

DISBURSEMENTS

Benevolent grants	$1,300.00		
Purchase of investment certificate — Chartered Trust Co., 5½%, Nov., 1957	2,000.00	3,300.00	
Balance as at February 28, 1963		2,620.96	5,920.96

GRAND CHAPTER LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance February 28, 1962		$ 620.99	
Received from Grand Scribe "E.":			
Commutations	$950.00		
Interest on investments	770.00		
Bank interest	14.13	1,734.13	
			2,355.12

DISBURSEMENTS

Transferred to General Fund	$1,457.60		
Balance as at February 28, 1963	897.52		2,355.12

CHAPTERS' LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance February 28, 1962		$124.88	
Received from Grand Scribe "E.":			
Bank interest	$3.53		
Transferred from General Fund	—	3.53	
			128.41

DISBURSEMENTS

Transferred to General Fund		$ 17.75	
Balance as at February 28, 1963		110.66	128.41

Examined and verified:
J. D. LEWARS, C.A., Auditor

Respectfully submitted,
FRED W. DEAN, P.G.Z.,
Grand Treasurer

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Grand Treasurer be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE E.

To the Most Excellent the Grand Z., Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

I present herewith the Annual Report of Cash Receipts and Ledger Balance for the fiscal year ending February 28th, 1963.

ANNUAL STATEMENT

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR
March 1, 1962, to February 28, 1963

No.	Name of Chapter	Amount	Balance Debit	Balance Credit
1	Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui	$226.03	$2.63	
2	The Hiram	150.98	.20	
3	St. John's, London	169.03	.58	
4	The St. Andrew and St. John	146.13	.85	
5	St. George's	179.20		$1.05
6	St. John's, Hamilton	129.10		3.78
7	The Moira	240.43		
8	King Solomon's	227.84	105.41	
15	Wawanosh	175.36	.86	
16	Carleton	526.78	225.68	
18	Oxford	175.88		2.12
19	Mount Moriah	229.98	14.85	
20	Mount Horeb	88.25	.42	
22	Grenville	88.98	2.12	
23	Ezra	154.01	1.70	
24	Tecumseh	219.25	9.67	
26	St. Mark's	162.29	2.98	
27	Manitou	111.63		.85
28	Pentalpha	222.29		
29	McCallum	111.10		.85
30	Huron	124.91		2.79
31	Prince Edward	181.16	2.55	
32	Waterloo	176.78	8.13	
34	Signet	127.66	2.98	
35	Keystone, Whitby	108.41		.17
36	Corinthian	363.00		1.10
37	Victoria, Port Hope	119.18		1.70
40	Guelph	219.10		.43
41	Harris	99.42		1.71
44	Mount Sinai, Napanee	106.60		2.98
45	Excelsior	37.82	19.22	
46	St. James	55.28	.43	
47	Wellington	144.73	8.92	
48	St. John's, Cobourg	107.85	1.54	
43	Bruce	74.50	.10	
54	Palestine, St. Thomas	249.40		.63
55	Niagara	61.41	.86	
56	Georgian	73.60		2.56
57	King Hiram	106.50	2.40	
58	Pembroke (closed)			
59	Sussex-St. Lawrence	273.14		.14
61	Granite	90.41	36.13	
62	York	118.56	54.08	
63	Havelock	75.79	1.13	

No.	Name of Chapter	Amount	Balance Debit	Balance Credit
64	Willson	116.45	3.40	
65	St. Paul's, Toronto	95.48	42.13	
66	The Malloch	85.28	45.98	
67	Enterprise	77.90	.43	
68	Maitland	83.78		
69	Grimsby	65.50		.58
71	Prince of Wales, Essex	112.23	6.81	
72	Keystone, Stirling	64.24	8.06	
73	Erie	99.07		6.08
74	Beaver, Strathroy	77.55		.43
75	St. Clair, Milton	107.51	22.55	
76	Mount Nebo	78.09	7.28	
77	Occident	260.59		3.95
78	Minnewawa	117.93	7.75	
79	Orient	85.45	33.15	
80	Ark	200.99	11.50	
81	Aylmer	91.63	.43	
82	Shuniah	256.35		3.40
83	Ionic, Orangeville	91.94		2.13
84	Lebanon, Kingham	76.62	37.80	
88	MacNabb	101.98		2.55
90	Golden	158.88	11.46	
91	Toronto-Antiquity	147.78		19.75
94	Midland	86.55		1.28
95	Tuscan	489.83	22.62	
102	Algonquin	255.15		19.88
103	St. John's, North Bay	137.51		.30
104	White Oak	162.35	53.55	
110	Warkworth	56.56	.43	
112	St. John's, Morrisburg	112.86		3.39
113	Covenant	212.56		7.70
114	Bonnechere	116.08		.43
115	Brant	95.35		.85
116	Maple	100.81	1.28	
117	Kitchener, Kitchener	163.25	5.55	
119	King Cyrus, Leamington	126.66	1.95	
129	Elliott	93.83	1.27	
130	Chantry	62.68	.15	
131	Amabel	134.29	11.58	
132	Leeds	117.17		17.88
133	St. Francis	247.88	.80	
134	King Darius	66.43		
135	Succoth	65.50	1.00	
138	Shekinah	310.78	115.93	
140	Fort William	191.33	98.68	
143	Glengarry	64.39	3.01	
144	Presqu'ile	50.28		2.97
145	The St. Patrick	203.46		.85
146	Bernard	114.33	.28	
147	Lucknow	65.46	.85	
148	St. John's, Vankleek Hill	82.25		2.86
149	Atwood	39.96		1.70
150	London	127.61		26.84
151	Laurentian	177.45	15.41	
152	Alberton	185.46	22.50	
153	Sombra	106.55		.58
155	Ancaster	94.46	6.43	

No.	Name of Chapter	Amount	Balance Debit	Balance Credit
161	Madoc	132.63	1.70	
163	The Beaches	92.81	.43	
164	Lorne	77.98	2.22	
167	Kichikewana	136.75	1.70	
168	Ionic, Campbellford	115.93	.43	
169	Temiskaming	77.56	13.28	
175	The Hamilton	167.16	31.43	
184	Hugh Murray	112.26	3.70	
195	Peel	152.08	8.20	
198	Couchiching	198.14	114.26	
203	Cobalt (closed)			
205	Victoria, Thornhill	115.35	2.05	
210	Kitchener, Russell	78.46	1.00	
212	Mount Sinai, Toronto	424.01	4.68	
213	Northern Lights	115.08		
214	Vimy	59.55		2.28
215	Mimico	138.81	12.88	
217	St. Alban's	126.08		.42
278	Prince Edward, Shelbourne	58.85	.57	
219	Ulster	115.68	64.00	
220	Lebanon, Lambton Mills	105.85	2.10	
221	Durham	42.18		18.73
222	Ottawa	270.12	1.85	
223	Abitibi	66.26		1.27
224	Keystone, Hamilton	114.35		4.68
225	Beaver, Toronto	119.93	50.08	
226	Prince of Wales, Perth	136.55	.42	
227	Quinte Friendship	248.43		
230	Port Credit	91.13		
231	The Ct. Clair, Toronto	149.88	55.90	
232	King Cyrus, Toronto	134.74	2.13	
233	Oakwood	96.96	8.43	
234	Halton	162.38	88.68	
235	Aurora	130.21	1.13	
236	Caledonia	98.06	1.43	
238	The St. Andrew	170.91		.47
239	Blenheim	82.59		9.27
240	Smithville	35.38		
241	University	91.78	6.58	
242	St. Paul's, Lambeth	63.02		
243	McKay	71.25	3.42	
245	Preston	54.45		
246	Humber	171.11		2.12
247	Nilestown	142.20	.85	
248	Dochert	45.44	.86	
249	Palestine, Bowmanville	92.23	9.00	
250	Thomas Peters	187.38	1.70	
251	Kirkland	120.68	11.03	
252	Hiawatha	171.20	20.62	
253	Regal	99.75	11.27	
254	Golden Star	184.56	5.18	
255	Tillsonburg	129.10		
257	Espanola	98.68		
258	Tyrian	32.31	13.18	
259	Quetico	47.36	3.85	
260	Centennial	66.18	21.68	
261	Sequin	67.56	1.28	

No.	Name of Chapter	Amount	Balance Debit	Balance Credit
262	King David	76.38		.11.87
263	The Scarborough	288.30	2.50	
	Grand Chapter of British Columbia	261.50		
	Grand Chapter of Manitoba	70.00		
	Grand Chapter of New Brunswick	23.90		
	Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan	100.00		
	Rebate of Executive Committee expenses	197.06		
	Sales to sundry individuals	1.00		
	Grand Convocation receipts	1,635.00		
	Travel rebate	74.00		
	Sale of supplies	2.70		
	Transfer from Life Membership Fund	1,457.60		
		25,074.80	$1,696.60	$200.35

CASH RECEIPTS

For the year ended February 28, 1963

Grand Z travel rebate	$ 74.00
Rebate of Executive Committee expenses	197.06
Receipts from Chapters	20,600.20
Grand Convocation receipts	1,635.00
Transfer from Life Membership Fund	1,457.60
Transfer from Chapters' Life Membership Fund	17.75
Interest on investments	2,705.00
Sales to other Grand Chapters	489.20
Sale of History	748.00
Sundries	2.70
Balance of account Cobalt Chapter	52.30
Bank loan	5,000.00
	$32,978.81

Examined and verified:
(Signed) JOHN D. LEWARS, C.A.

Report of the Grand Scribe E.

I herewith submit my Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1962, for your approval.

This year, as in the previous year, the Chapter Returns were delayed, a few not having arrived until the latter part of March, although the Constituent year ended December 31st. Many excuses were offered and accepted as given, yet if the Scribe's E. had closed their books at their year end and completed their reports, the entire work could have been completed in a very few days—the Scribe E. Kits having been mailed from the Grand Chapter office on November 15th. A few of these kits were apparently lost in the mails and a further mailing was promptly despatched, upon notification being given to Grand Chapter office. Then too, there were over thirty new Scribes E. installed, and not all were fully aware of the Constitutional requirements and the outgoing Scribes had not always followed through in assisting their successor in office. It was necessary to send telegrams and make numerous telephone calls to Chapters who had

failed to forward their Returns. In some cases it was necessary for the co-operation of the Grand First Principal and the Grand Superintendents be enlisted to secure a few of these delinquent Chapter Returns. I strongly recommend, and respectfully suggest, that the new Scribes E. in office, especially, carefully study the Grand Chapter Constitution, particularly the "Guide to Scribes E." Page 89 of the Grand Chpater Constitution. Please note, too, that the Grand Chapter fiscal year ends February 28th, at which time Grand Chapter records are Audited.

May I suggest that the Chapter Annual Returns be forwarded immediately after the closing of the years' work and the cheque for the estimated Per Capita follow, if it cannot be attached at the time of mailing. All Annual Returns must be promptly received at Grand Chapter office, and, after approval, are used in the preparation of the statistical tables, etc., for submission to the printers for use at Grand Chapter Convocation. Also, much information is required for the use of the various Grand Chapter Committees in preparing their reports to Grand Chapter.

Many Chapters, also, do not report the newly initiated and newly exalted members of their Chapters until the Grand Chapter Annual Returns are received at Grand Chapter, which further causes hardship at a time when Grand Chapter office is at the busiest time of its year. If the Scribes E. adhere to Section 241 of Grand Chapter Constitution it would greatly assist in alleviating this condition.

The foregoing remarks are in no manner criticisms, rather they are a medium for bringing to the attention of all the Constituent Chapters some of the difficulties Grand Chapter office encounters in endeavouring to promote prompt, efficient and fraternal relations throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

The office of Grand Scribe E. is an arduous one and the co-operation of the Scribes E., and other officers, of many of the Constituent Chapters is gratefully acknowledged. The assistance also of the Grand Council, other Grand Chapter officers and of my predecessor in office is deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Robt. J. Hamilton

Grand Scribe E.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Grand S.E. be received and adopted.

AUDITOR'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Most Excellent Companion Charles William Emmett, Grand First Principal Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, Temple Building, Toronto, Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir:

I have made my regular examination of the books of account and supporting records of the Grand Scribe E. and the Grand Treasurer of Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario for the fiscal year ended February 28, 1963. From this examination I have prepared the statements listed below and I now present them together with my comments thereon.

Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet as at February 28, 1963.

Exhibit "B"—Comparative Revenue and Expenditure Account for the year ended February 28, 1963.

Schedule "1"—The Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund as at February 28, 1963.

Schedule "2"—The Life Membership Fund—Grand Chapter as at February 28, 1963.

Schedule "3"—The Chapters' Life Membership Fund as at February 28, 1963.

COMMENTS

The cash in transit was deposited in the bank subsequent to February 28, 1963. The several bank balances, shown in Exhibit "A" and Schedules "1," "2" and "3" were verified as at February 28, 1963, and all the bank transactions in the several funds for the year then ended were examined.

The Accounts Receivable from the various Chapters were reviewed in detail and appear to be proper charges and collectible.

The amount due from the Life Membership Fund of Grand Chapter of $1,087.58 represents the balance due on account of life membership dues for the past fiscal year. I recommend that this sum be transferred as soon as the Life Membership Fund of Grand Chapter has sufficient cash in hand to cover a transfer.

The unclipped bond coupons were examined. The computation of the accrued interest in the several funds was checked and found to be in order.

The investments of the several funds are set out in detail in Exhibit "A" and Schedules "1" and "2." They were counted on March 22, 1963, and found to be in order. They continue to be held in the place and custody authorized by the Grand Chapter.

So far as I was able to ascertain, from due inquiry of the officials concerned and from the information presently available, all known liabilities of the various funds were taken up in the books of account as at February 28, 1963, and are reflected in the attached statements.

I note that expenditures charged to education for the year ended February 28, 1963, are as follows:

Charged to Education expense	$608.14
Charged to Education reserve	127.73
	$735.87

In addition to this, your Grand Scribe E. has computed that $614.87 in postage, printing, supplies for use and supplies for resale has been diverted to this project, making an overall cost of the project to February 28, 1963, of $1,350.74.

Details of the operations of the General Fund for the fiscal year ended February 28, 1963, as shown by the books of account of the Grand Scribe E are set out in Exhibit "B" and compared with the budget for the fiscal year under review as approved by Grand Chapter. You will note that the year's operations resulted in a net expenditure of $2,298.10. In view of this situation and of gradually increasing costs it would appear that Grand Chapter should review its sources of revenue with a view to developing new ones or to increasing those that exist.

I, again, recommend that the acturial requirements of the Life Membership Fund of Grand Chapter be recomputed and that a system be instituted whereby the acturial requirements of the fund can be checked from time to time with a minimum of effort.

I note that during the past year the commutation fees for honorary members was increased from $10.00 to $20.00. I concur with this move. If $10.00 was considered necessary to produce $0.50 in dues in 1947, then $20.00 should produce $1.00 in dues in 1963.

However, I should, again, like to point out that the $10.00 fee that you are charging for life memberships cannot possibly produce the annual dues of $0.85 which you are presently drawing from the Life Membership Fund of Grand Chapter for each life member. I, again, recommend that the commutation fees for life members be increased to such a sum as will produce the current annual dues.

As in preceding years, interim examinations were made of the books of account of the Grand Scribe E. and tentative interim reports were submitted as of August 31, 1962, and November 30, 1962. I have obtained all the information and explanations which I have required.

My examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of the accounting records and other supporting evidence as I considered necessary under the circumstances.

I recommend that a review of the accounting and statistical records of Grand Chapter be undertaken with a view to streamlining and modernizing these records with a view to producing the information required more efficiently.

In my opinion, subject to the qualifications contained in the foregoing comments, the attached Balance Sheet and related statements are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the financial affairs of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario as at February 28, 1963, and the results of operations for the year then ended, according to the best of my information and the explanations afforded me and as shown by the books of the Grand Chapter.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

JOHN D. LEWARS, C.A.
Auditor.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET AS AT FEBRUARY 28, 1963

ASSETS

Current Assets:			
Cast in transit	$1,152.75		
Cash in bank	5,995.63	$7,148.38	
Accounts Receivable—Chapters		1,496.25	
Due from Life Membership Fund—Grand Chapter		1,087.58	
Unclipped bond coupons		82.50	
Accrued interest on investments		1,031.87	$10,846.58
Investments:			
Government of Canada, 4½% 1983		$22,500.00	
Province of Ontario, 2¾%, 1968		6,000.00	
Province of Ontario, 3%, 1977		4,000.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, 3½%, 1979		28,000.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, 4%, 1974		6,000.00	
Toronto General Trusts, 5½%, 1965		1,500.00	
Toronto General Trusts, 5½%, 1964		1,500.00	
Metropolitan Toronto, 3½%, 1975		3,000.00	
		$72,500.00	
Less: unamortized discount		365.74	72,134.26
Furniture and fixtures(cost)		3,629.38	
Less: allowance for depreciation		3,614.76	14.62
Grand Chapter—Library			250.00
Grand Chapter—regalia			75.00
Deferred charges—insurance			1,110.20
Special Funds:			
The Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund (Schedule "1")		66,736.57	
The Life Membership Fund (Schedule "2")		22,096.64	
The Chapters' Life Membership Fund (Schedule "3")		110.85	88,944.06
			$173,374.72

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities:			
Bank loan		$3,000.00	
Accounts payable		155.56	
Due to Chapters' Life Membership Fund		.19	
Accrued interest on bank loan		30.57	$3,186.32
Reserve for Special Funds			88,944.06
General Reserve:			
Balance March 1, 1962		$83,542.44	
Less: excess of expenditure over revenue (Exhibit "B")		2,298.10	81,244.34
			$173,374.72

Exhibit "B"

COMPARATIVE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

REVENUE	Estimated Revenue	Actual Revenue	Balances Over* or Under
Fees	$2,500.00	$2,532.50	*$ 32.50
Dues	16,300.00	16,677.41	*377.41
Life Membership dues	2,300.00	2,244.00	56.00
Dispensations and Warrants	150.00	235.00	*85.00
Sale of supplies	2,800.00	2,227.10	572.90
Sale of History of Grand Chapter	100.00	784.00	*684.00
Interest on investments	2,800.00	2,847.15	*47.15
Miscellaneous: Closing balance Cobalt Chapter		52.30	*52.30
Total revenue	$26,950.00	$27,599.46	$ *649.46
Total expenditure	27,967.00	29,897.56	*1,930.56
Excess of expenditure over revenue	$1,017.00	$2,298.10	$1,281.10

EXPENDITURE	Estimated Expenditure	Actual Expenditure		Balances Over* or Under
Grand Scribe E.:				
Compensation	$4,800.00	$4,800.00		
Office assistants	3,240.00	2,972.00		$268.00
Rent	2,400.00	2,400.00		
Telephone, postage, etc.	950.00	1,280.02		*330.02
Special assistance	1,200.00	1,199.72		.28
Bank loan interest		194.19		*194.19
	$12,590.00		$12,845.93	
Foreign Correspondence—Reviewer	300.00		300.00	
Audit fee	500.00		500.00	
Printing:				
Proceedings	1,650.00	1,671.95		*21.95
General	700.00	501.06		198.94
	2,350.00		2,173.01	
Travellings:				
Grand Z.	2,000.00	2,000.00		
General	200.00	372.43		*172.43
	2,200.00		2,372.43	
Expenses:				
Convocation	4,000.00	4,456.86		*456.86
Executive Committee	1,700.00	1,810.54		*110.54
	5,700.00		6,267.40	
Engraving (jewels)	550.00		713.72	*163.72
Grant to Masonic Library	125.00		125.00	
Grant Can. Mas. Res. Asoc.	50.00		50.00	
Chapters' Life Member Fund	2.00		.19	1.81
Liability insurance	1,200.00		1,110.20	89.80
Education	600.00		608.14	*8.14
Supplies for resale	1,800.00		2,420.25	*620.25
Grand Z., regalia			25.08	*25.08
Purchase of new equipment			354.22	*354.22
History expense			31.99	*31.99
Total expenditure	$27,967.00		$29,897.56	*$1,930.56

Schedule "1"

THE VICTORY THANKSGIVING FUND

As at February 28, 1963

Balance March 1, 1962		$65,278.99
Add:		
Bank interest	$ 105.73	
Bond interest	2,242.76	
Amortization of bond discount	338.81	
Donations	100.00	
	$2,787.30	
Less: amortization of bond premiums	29.72	2,757.58
		$68,036.57
Deduct: benevolence		1,300.00
Balance February 28, 1963:		
Unexpended income	9,703.59	
Capital	57,032.98	66,736.57

ASSETS

Cash in bank		2,620.96	
Unclipped bond coupons		13.75	
Accrued interest on investments		871.54	3,506.25
Investments:			
Government of Canada, 4½%, 1983		$16,700.00	
Government of Canada, 2¾%, 1968		8,000.00	
Province of Ontario, 3%, 1965		9,000.00	
Province of Ontario, 3%, 1966		3,000.00	
Province of Ontario, 2¾%, 1968		1,000.00	
Province of Ontario, 3%, 1969		9,000.00	
Province of Ontario, 3%, 1977		8,000.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, 4¼%, 1967		6,500.00	
H.E.P.C. of Ontario, 3½%, 1979		2,000.00	
Chartered Trust Company, 5½%, 1967		2,000.00	
		$65,200.00	
Deduct: unamortized discount	$2,069.10		
Less: unamortized premiums	99.42	1,969.68	63,230.32
			$66,736.57

Schedule "2"

THE LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

As at February 28, 1963

Balance March 1, 1962			$22,584.01
Add:			
Interest on investments		$770.00	
Amortization of bond discount		12.50	
Bank interest		14.13	
Life Membership and Honorary Member Commutations issued		960.00	1,756.63
			$24,340.64
Deduct: Life Membership dues			2,244.00
Balance February 28, 1963			$22,096.64

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets:			
Cash in bank		$897.52	
Cash in transit		110.00	
Due from Chapters		21.28	
Accrued interest on investments		256.67	
Investments:			
Metropolitan Toronto, 3½%, 1975	$22,000.00		
Less: unamortized discount	31.25	21,968.75	23,254.22
Liabilities			
Remittances from Chapters re Honorary or Life Memberships to be accepted when provisions of Constitution have been adhered to		70.00	
Due to General Fund		1,087.58	1,157.58
			$22,096.64

Schedule "3"

THE CHAPTERS' LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

As at February 28, 1963

Balance March 1, 1962		$124.88
Add: bank interest	$3.53	
Transfer from General Fund	.19	3.72
		$128.60
Deduct: 1962 Chapter dues transferred to General Fund and credited to Chapters' accounts		17.75
Balance February 28, 1963		$110.85

ASSETS

Cash in bank	$110.66
Due from General Fund	.19
	$110.85

Moved by Rt. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by Most Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean, and—

Resolved—That the Auditor's Report be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Your Committee on Printing has received the expenditures for the year ending February 28, 1963, and submits the following analysis in support thereof:

Printing Proceedings	$1,671.95
Printing—general	501.06

It is respectfuly requested that the following monies be placed at the disposal of the Printing Committee for the fiscal year of 1963-1964:

Printing Proceedings	$1,650.00
Printing—general	500.00
Printing for resale	1,200.00
	$3,350.00

Fraternally submitted,

R. EX. COMP. G. L. NUTT, Chairman
R. EX. COMP. R. ROBINSON
R. EX. COMP. R. H. DILAMARTER
R. EX. COMP. E. L. JACKSON

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. G. L. Nutt, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Printing Committee be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Excellent the Grand Z., Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Your Committee on Investments reports the following:

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Toronto General Trusts Corporation, 5½%, Dec. 1, 1964, registered	$1,500.00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation, 5½%, Jan. 27, 1965, registered	1,500.00
Province of Ontario, 2¾%, July 15, 1968, registered	6,000.00
Province of Ontario, 3%, Oct. 15, 1977, registered	4,000.00
Hydro Electric Power Com., 4%, July 15, 1974, registered	6,000.00
Hydro Electric Power Co., 3½%, Oct. 15, 1979, registered	28,000.00
Dominion of Canada, 4½%, Sept. 1, 1983, registered	22,500.00
City of Metropolitan Toronto, 3½%, May 2, 1975, registered	3,000.00
	$72,500.00

VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND

Province of Ontario, 3%, April 15, 1965, registered	$9,000.00
Province of Ontario, 3%, Nov. 1, 1966, registered	3,000.00
Province of Ontario, 2¾%, July 15, 1968, registered	1,000.00
Province of Ontario, 3%, Nov. 1, 1969, registered	9,000.00
Province of Ontario, 3%, Oct. 15, 1977, registered	8,000.00
Hydro Electric Power Co., 4¼%, Nov. 1, 1967, registered	6,500.00
Hydro Electric Power Co., 3½%, Oct. 18, 1979, registered	2,000.00
Dominion of Canada, 2¾%, June 15, 1968, registered	8,000.00
Dominion of Canada, 4½%, Sept. 1, 1983, registered	200.00
Dominion of Canada, 4½%, Sept. 1, 1983, registered	16,500.00
Chartered Trust Co., 5½%, Nov. 26, 1967	2,000.00
	$65,200.00

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

City of Metropolitan Toronto, 3½%, May 2, 1975, registered	$22,000.00
Total	$159,700.00

We wish to point out a further investment of $2,000.00 in the Victory Thanksgiving Fund, bringing the total in this fund to $65,200.00.

Your committee has had meetings with the Grand Scribe E. and Grand Treasurer during the year.

The assistance and the many courtesies extended by them, the Finance Committee and the Most Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett were much appreciated and are hereby sincerely acknowledged.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

R. J. LEWIS, Chairman

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. James Girven, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. R. J. Lewis, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Investment Committee be received.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WARRANTS AND DISPENSATIONS

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companion:

Your Executive Committee through the Committee on Warrants and Dispensations beg leave to report that since the last Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter no applications for Warrant of Constitution have been received.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

O. B. DICKINSON
J. W. ARNOLD
J. A. HEARN
A. F. NISBET, Chairman

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. A. F. Nisbet, and—

Resolved—That the Report on Warrants and Dispensations be received.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of Grand Chapter.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

It is a distinct pleasure again to have the privilege of reporting that your Committee on Grievances and Appeals has had no cases of such brought to our attention, so it is considered that peace, harmony and happiness prevail throughout our Grand Jurisdiction.

J. L. HOUSE
JOHN M. BURDEN
A. G. N. BRADSHAW, Chairman

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals be received.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE GRAND Z.'S ADDRESS

To the Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Two years ago our Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett, on assuming the office of Grand Z. and all the responsibilities appertaining thereto, pledged his time, talents and thoughts to the promotion of the fundamentals of Royal Arch Masonry and the restoration of improved attendance at Chapter convocations over the entire Grand Chapter jurisdiction.

We congratulate him on his endeavors:

His appointing of Educational Committees in each District to provide instruction and education to their respective Chapters in the hope that uniformity, enthusiasm and increased membership would result has borne fruit.

We agree with him that his plan is beginning to show results as reports indicate there has been a steady increased interest shown both in attendance and membership.

On reviewing his report we feel the previous paragraph deals with the most important aims of his two years as Grand First Principal. We, therefore, give it our priority and pass on to him our (as well as yours) congratulations on fulfilling part of his program.

His welcome to M. W. Bro. and Comp. R. W. Treleaven, Grand Master of Grand Lodge, A.F. & A. M., of Canada in the Province of Ontario, and his competent secretary, R. W. Bro. E. Dixon, and the Most Excellent Principals of the various Grand Chapters of our fair Dominion as well as to the visiting Grand High Priest of the different states of our neighbors and Companions to the south of us and to the ruling Grand Officers of other affiliated Masonic Orders has our endorsation.

District 8 and 8A Toronto

We heartily agree with him that the thanks of this Grand Chapter is due to the Principals' Association of Districts No. 8 and 8A for the great work they have put forward to make this Grand Chapter session so successful. There are a few officers who stand out in planning these conventions, but if it were not for the members of the craft carrying out and completing the plans of the leaders we would not be enjoying the smooth running sessions of this Grand Chapter it is our privilege of attending, so with our Grand First Principal we join in saying "Thank you" and congratulations on a job well done.

His words of appreciation to the welcome from the city of Toronto and to the arrangements and facilities provided by this great hotel is echoed by all who are privileged to attend this one hundred and fifth Convocation of Grand Chapter.

Visitations

The friendly relationship that has been maintained by past Grand Z's between our sister Grand Jurisdictions in Canada and the U.S.A. has been cemented by the many visitations of our Grand First Principal during his term of office and the receptions accorded him is evidence of the effort put forth by him to uphold the dignity of his high office.

This committee commends the action of the Grand First Principal whereby he instituted action to correct any deficiencies between Chapters and the office of the Grand Scribe E. These records having, by mutual consent, been brought up to date will be advantageous both to the individual Chapter as well as the office of the Grand Scribe E.

Necrology

What could we add to the word of our Grand First Principal in expressing our feelings of loss in the passing of some of our Companions to the Grand Chapter above? We join with him in silent tribute to their memory.

Visitations

The long list of official visits made by our Grand First Principal bears out the fact that he spent his time in the cause of the Royal Craft. We heartily commend him on his efforts and trust a reawakening of interest in Chapter activities will be a monument to his labors.

His appreciation of the many honorary memberships conferred upon him by constituent Chapters, the wonderful hospitality bestowed upon him and Grand Chapter officers who accompanied him on visits to other Grand Jurisdictions is fully endorsed by this committee.

While we know how much he regrets being unable to fulfill all engagements required of his time we share the pleasure it gave him to delegate some of these happy events to past Grand Principals and we are confident that when his term of office is over he will hold himself in

readiness to carry some of the burdens of the Grand First Principal when called upon.

District Meetings

Your committee concurs with the opinion of the Grand First Principal that District meetings where Master Masons are present are ideal opportunities to create favorable impressons in the interest of Royal Arch Masonry.

His appreciation of the work of his Grand Superintendents in arranging these meetings is given our full approval.

Dedications

Dedications and consecrations of Chapters is an indicator that progress is being made in the Royal Craft and we are pleased to note that Grand Chapter was thrice called upon to perform this solemn and important duty.

Royal Arch Welfare Committee of Districts 8 and 8A

The Grand First Principal's acknowledgement of the wonderful work being carried out by this committee is fully endorsed by this committee. All we can add is that other Districts will copy their example and share in the pleasure of "Communicating happiness."

Presentation of Jewels

The presentation of jewels for long service, whether by himself or by delegated authority, must have been very gratifying to our Grand First Principal, but to have the distinct privilege to present a 70-year bar to a jewel is an honor reserved for few. We add our sincere good wishes to his that Companion Hodgins will continue to enjoy years of service to the craft.

Dispensation and Amendment

Dispensations granted come within the authority of the Grand First Principal and are therefore approved.

We know that all amendments coming before Grand Chapter were given very careful study and scrutiny before being approved.

We uphold the ruling of our Grand First Principal in awarding rank of Past Principal (posthumously) on Ex. Comp. H. A. Carter of Elliot Chapter No. 129 who died after serving as First Principal from January to June, 1961.

The ruling of the Grand First Principal forbidding the use of the letters R.A.M. for advertising purposes and use of funds of Chapter for purchase of life membership other than laid down in the constitution is concurred in by this committee and recommended to Grand Chapter for approval.

We also agree with him that early action should be taken to relieve the financial burden regarding accommodation of certain Chapters in the Toronto area.

Appreciation

No Grand First Principal could fulfill all the duties required of him without the assistance of the various officers of his staff or without the advice and knowledge of Past Grand Zs.

We are pleased to note that our present Grand Principal is aware of this fact from the generous manner he expresses his appreciation to those who in any way helped him to carry out his duties of Grand First Principal during the past two years.

His special thanks went to the Past Grand Principals who acted as his proxy when required.

The chairman of committees who faithfully performed the detail business of Grand Chapter and for his Grand Scribe E., Rt. Ex. Comp.

R. J. Hamilton, a very special thanks for his wonderful support during term of office.

We approve his words of appreciation to all who helped in any small way to make it a successful term.

In conclusion we wish to congratulate M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett for his endeavors as Grand First Principal to promote the high ideals of Royal Arch Masonry during his term of office.

We join with him in anticipating a gradual upswing in interest, attendance and prosperity in the Royal Craft and trust that he will get some satisfaction from his labors as Grand Z. that he has played a small part in this revival of a great order.

Respectfully submitted.

A. G. N. BRADSHAW
J. M. BURDEN
M. A. SEARLE
J. L. HOUSE
C. M. PITTS
M. S. GOODERHAM
F. W. DEAN
B. H. SMITH, Chairman

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. J. L. House, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Committee on the Grand Z's address be received and adopted.

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

The Committee on Archives begs leave to submit the following report.

Your Committee on Archives finds that there are several books and records that must be repaired and restored to usefulness. These books and records that have been so frequently consulted through past years as to bring about a gradual deterioration in their condition and unless they are properly dealt with by expert bookbinders valuable original records will be lost to enlightenment and interest of the craft or no longer available for use by the Grand Scribe E. and to other officers who come from time to time to consult them, especially those engaged in writing the early history of their Chapters for centennial and other special occasions.

Examples of records requiring attention immediately are: Book of Marks, No. 1, year 1797; No. 3, year 1800; No. 4, year 1805. Jewels—25-year jewels, begun April, 1901, Edwin Smith; 50-year jewels, 1874-1924, and other similar records of jewels.

In some cases similar records may be saved by rebinding if this is done soon.

In the case of other records the best and perhaps only way of preservation is by the use of microfilm. Such film must be preserved in metal containers properly labelled.

Examples: the Grand Chapter of Canada and Grand Lodge, October 20, 1871.

Also badly in need of repair—Grand Chapter, August, 1872 (300 pages), manuscript copy of 33 degree Masons dealing with records of Northern Jurisdictioin United States of America. This book deals with Grand Chapter as well as Consistory and Scottish Rite, contains address by T. D. Harington, Grand Z.

To accomplish the restoration and preservation of some of these

books and records your committee suggests that Grand Chapter set aside initially for this purpose a grant of $200 for the year 1963-64 with the hope that such amounts as may seem warranted by the Grand Executive and Grand Chapter in successive years until all records have been preserved indefinitely.

Furthermore your committee suggests that the Grand Convocation in 1964 the Archives Committee shows to the executive and members of Grand Chapter the work that has been done at that time, giving detailed account of the money that has been expended in each case.

The preceding suggestions and requests are respectfully submitted to Grand Executive and Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario April, 1963, by the Archives Committee 1962-63.

F. J. JOHNSON
J. A. KENNEDY
BENJAMIN S. SCOTT, Chairman

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. B. S. Scott, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Archive Committee be received and adopted.

ARCHIVE COMMITTEE ELECTED

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven, and—

Resolved—That R. Ex. Comp. B. S. Scott be Grand Archivist, R. Ex. Comp. F. J. Johnson, R. Ex. Comp. F. Schytte, members.

REPORT OF THE MASONIC INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

During the past year the selection and appointment of District Masonic Instruction Committees was completed and gradual progress has been made in organizing the work of these committees.

A meeting of the District chairmen was held in Toronto in September when the general scope and functions of the committees were outlined and discussed. It was agreed that the members of the committees must first become thoroughly familiar with the constitution, ritual and material dealing with details of administration so as to be in a position to render service on such matters to the Chapters and the Companions of their respective Districts.

Since that time, in consultation with the Education Committee of Grand Chapter, the General Committee has issued bulletins answering a series of questions on ritual, constitution and administration that have arisen, thus adding to the knowledge of the members of the District Committees and of the Grand Superintendens of the Districts.

Reports indicate that in most Districts the work of the committees has borne fruit. Grand Superintendents have asked them to assist at Chapters and Lodges of Instruction. A number of Chapters have invited the committees to give instruction and talks and have expressed appreciation for the information and assistance given.

However, the work of the Masonic Instruction Committee has really only begun and it is but fair at this time to report only that progress is being made. Further activities are planned for the committee, particularly in the field of Masonic education, which it is felt the Companions would

eagerly welcome. It is also going to take time for the Chapters and Companions fully to appreciate the service that can be rendered by these committees and to take full advantage of their knowledge and willingness to assist.

In conclusion we wish to pay tribute to and thank the members of the District Committees for their interest and cooperation. Some progress has been made, but we feel sure that greater opportunities to make a very worthwhile contribution to Royal Arch Masonry lie ahead.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

W. E. GARDNER
F. J. JOHNSON
A. F. TANNAHILL, Chairman

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. A. F. Tannahill, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Masonic Instruction Committee be received.

GRAND HISTORIAN ELECTED

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven, and—

Resolved—That M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle be elected Grand Historian.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Excellent Grand "Z", Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Grand "Z" and Companion:

Your Committee on Benevolence has considered the applications for Relief and we recommend that an appropriation be made in the Estimates for the coming Grand Chapter year for Grants to the following:

Chapter	Grant in favor of	Amount
18	Companion Edward Sidney Coppins	$150.00
53	Daughter of John Sinclair	200.00
62	Widow of John Brewster	200.00
145	Daughter of James Curry	200.00
Special	Companion Blake Fullerton	200.00
246	Widow of M. Ex. Comp. Edwin Smith	200.00
		$1,150.00

We further recommend that an amount of $600.00 be provided for Interim Relief, if it be needed before the next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter.

The attention of all Chapters is directed to the "Rules Respecting Grants for Benevolence" as set forth on pages 100-103 o fthe Constitution. One of the basic principals of Freemasonry is dispensing of relief and assistance in case of need and the First Principal of every Chapter is charged with the responsibility of seeing that the requirements of the Constitution are complied with in every case. Failure to have Applications for Relief, properly completed, with full information furnished, in the hands of the Grand Scribe "E" not later than January 31, still persists although your Committee on Benevolence has called attention for several years past. Inability of your committee to obtain replies to letters addressed to the Scribe "E" of some Chapters is difficult to under-

stand. The cooperation of all Grand Superintendents in this matter will be appreciated.

Fraternally submitted,

J. M. BURDEN
A. JARVIS
F. W. DEAN, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Benevolence be received and adopted.

COMMITTEE OF BENEVOLENCE

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven, and—

Resolved—That the following Companions comprise the Committee on Benevolence and are members of the Executive Committee of Grand Chapter for the respective years:

R. Ex. Comp. A. Jarvis—retires 1964.
M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean—retires 1965.
M. Ex. Comp. J. M. Burden—retires 1966.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. J. M. Burden, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. J. L. House, and—

Resolved—That the Rules and Regulations respecting Benevolence be reviewed and that the Grand Z. appoint a committee who would report to the next Grand Chapter Convocation.

COMMITTEE ON AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

To the Most Excellent the Grand Zerubbabel, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:—

Your Committee reports the approved proposal not completed in time for last year's report has now been completed by the appropriate action of the Chapter and Companion George Nesbitt McKibbon of Prince Edward Chapter No. 31 at Picton has been presented with the Distinguished Service Medal and Certificate.

During the current year three additional preliminary questionnaires were received by your committee. That concerning Companion William Henry Wright of St. Andrew and St. John Chapter No. 4 G.R.C. Toronto, was found unanimously to be deserving of the Award and the Grand Scribe E. was so notified and we presume that the Medal and Certificate have since been presented.

The Questionnaire from the second and third Chapters have been received and circulated through the committee, but the decision has not had time to be available in time for this report, or to advise the Grand Scribe E. who in turn will communicate with the Chapter concerned.

It would seem that our constituent Chapters are not fully aware of the regulations governing this Distinguished Service Award, the procedure and the requirements to be observed in making application for consideration and it is recommended that the revised regulations and procedure be printed in the Annual Proceedings this year as an appendix to this report.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

A. G. N. BRADSHAW, PGZ
JOHN L. HOUSE, PGZ
C. M. PITTS, PGZ., Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. J. L. House, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Awards for Distinguished Service Medal be received and adopted.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven, and—

Resolved—That the following Companions comprise the Committee on Awards for Distinguished Service Medal for their respective terms:

M. Ex. Comp. J. L. House—retires in 1964.
M. Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw—retires in 1965.
M. Ex. Comp. C. M. Pitts—retires in 1966.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

After reviewing the reports of the Grand Superintendents and studying statistical tables and other data available to the Committee, the information gleaned from this material is now presented for the consideration of the Grand Chapter.

All are loud in their praises of our Grand First Principal for his devotion to the duties and responsibilities of his high office. He has travelled the length and breadth of the jurisdiction during the past year visiting Chapters and district meetings, presenting jewels, meeting and mixing with the Companions and thereby bringing them inspiration and encouragement. The Grand H. and the Grand J. have accompanied him on many occasions and assisted at several functions, while the presence of Past and Present Grand Chapter Officers have contributed to the success of the occasions.

From the reports of the Grand Superintendents it is evident that they have endeavored to discharge their duties faithfully and worthily to represent the Grand Z. in their respective Districts. Many District meetings and Lodge and Chapters of Instruction are reported, and it would seem that they have striven by this means to maintain and improve the quality of the work throughout the jurisdiction. Your committee regrets to advise that no reports of any kind were received from one Grand Superintendent and it therefore has little guidance as to the present condition of Capitular Masonry in that district.

However, from pertinent information gathered from several sources your committee offers the following comments and suggestions:

Several of the Grand Superintendents report a falling off in attendance, and an analysis of the Statistical Tables shows that the average attendance dropped from 17.1% experienced the previous year to 16.4% in 1962. A further analysis reveals that 9 Chapters had an average attendance of less than 10% of their members, one Chapter having only 6.3%. In all, 64 Chapters had attendance less than the 16.4% average for the jurisdiction. This is indeed a most serious condition, for poor

attendance usually results in lack of interest, indifferent work, uninspired meetings and a dearth of candidates, and is eventually the probable cause of withdrawals and suspensions. Again it is urged that Chapters give serious consideration to the matter and make every effort to build up the attendance. As has so often been recommended, an active Committee in each Chapter can do much to improve the situation.

There has been a net loss of 67 members during the year, bringing our total membership down to 22,256. Of the 158 Chapters in the jurisdiction only 64 show increases, 72 show decreases and 22 show no change. There were total additions of 919 composed of 822 admission, 72 joinings and 25 restorations. Unfortunately, however, there were 986 losses made up of 223 withdrawals, 257 suspensions, 504 deaths, and 2 net adjustments. While a net loss of 67 is modest, yet it is a trend in the wrong direction and must be reversed.

It is apparent that we are not bringing in enough new candidates particularly to offset the high loss we sustain through death due to the higher average age of our members. Losses by death we cannot prevent, but something can be done about loss by withdrawal and suspension, and if Chapters would but appoint active membership committees to encourage the Companions to bring in new members, and to follow up requests for demits and members due for suspension, your Committee feels sure that the number of admissions would increase and the number of preventable losses be materially reduced.

Of grave concern to your Committee is the large amount of dues outstanding, the comparatively few Chapters which show a clean bill of health or almost negligible amounts owing, and the greater number whose outstanding dues represent substantial sums of money. The amount outstanding is over $34,000.00, and while this is down $3,000.00 from the previous year, it is still not a satisfactory condition. It is also regrettable to have to report that the number of members in arrears — that is who have not paid dues for 1961 and previous years—total over 1,700. From this group come all of our suspensions and undoubtedly a large number of withdrawals. It cannot be too strongly recommended that the First Principal and the Scribe E. of each Chapter exert every effort to remedy the situation.

In happier vein it is pleasant to report that brotherly love and benevolence are practiced when need requires. While social and economic advances and reforms have materially reduced the calls for financial assistance, yet some 35 of our Chapters reported grants and donations in addition to those of Grand Chapter.

Again the Welfare Committee of the two Toronto Districts deserve our admiration and commendation. For some thirty years this Committee, without fail or falter, has continued its humanitarian work among the sick, the aged and the under-privileged, bringing cheer, comfort and service as only hearts expanded by benevolence can do. Theirs is truly Masonic love and charity in action.

During the year, 65 jewels for 25 year service as a Past Z. were presented, 41 jewels for 50 Year Membership, 2 bars for 60 years, and 2 distinguished service awards. It is gratifying to note the numbers who continue over the years to serve their Chapters and Royal Arch Masonry so faithfully.

Three dedications were conducted, namely King David No. 262, Burlington, Scarborough No. 263, Scarborough, and Succoth No. 135, Ux-

bridge, at each of which the Grand First Principal presided, attended by Past and Present Grand Chapter Officers.

The reports of the Grand Superintendents and of the Chapters indicate that the paying of fraternal visits is still exercised by the Companions; very few convocations, indeed are without several visitors, and inter-Chapter visits are reported, continuing to cement the bonds of fraternity between the Companions of our jurisdiction and those of sister jurisdictions. Inter-Chapter, inter-district, and in fact all visiting should be encouraged, not only for its broadening influence, but to promote the good-fellowship and companionship which are so much a part of our institution.

Almost every district and several Chapters have held Divine Services and the Committee is pleased to note that all were well attended. Such services when planned should have the loyal support of every Companion as a public declaration of his belief in and obedience to the Supreme Being as taught in our Chapters.

Your Committee wishes to pay tribute to the Scribes E. of the constituent Chapters who labour so faithfully and zealously in the interests of their Chapters and Royal Arch Masonry. The services required of a Scribe E. are manifold and the duties of his office are not learned overnight. The efficient discharge of his responsibilities come only with time and experience. Your Committee is somewhat concerned at the rather high rate of turnover experienced in the past few years, and suggests to Chapters that serious consideration be given to the implications before change is made in the office of Scribe E.

The Grand Superintendents in several of the districts report that the activities of the Masonic Instruction Committees are beginning to produce results, and express the feeling that as the work of these Committees grows, it will contribute much to the welfare of Royal Arch Masonry.

In conclusion, your Committee feels that while there are areas where attention is needed as outlined in this report, Royal Arch Masonry in this jurisdiction continues to serve in a highly satisfactory manner. We have dedicated leadership, many faithful and devoted Companions, a high standard of ritualistic work, and social activities to foster the spirit of fellowship among our members. With such leadership and so many interested and loyal Companions in our Order, Royal Arch Masonry cannot fail to prosper and continue to fulfil its mission in the years to come.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

W. E. GARDNER,

F. J. JOHNSON,

A. F. TANNAHILL, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. A. Hearn, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Special Committee on Conditions of Capitular Masonry be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

The Committee on Finance submits the following report for the year ending February 28th, 1963.

The reports of the Grand Treasurer, the Auditor and Grand Scribe E. for the year ending February 28th, 1963, have been received by the members of this committee and these reports are now being submitted to this grand body for consideration.

We find these reports fully and accurately set out details and transactions of the financial position of this Grand Chapter for the fiscal year. All items of receipts and disbursements in respect to the General Fund, the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund, the Life Membership Fund and Chapters' Life Membership Fund are properly detailed and these reports contain complete schedules of the securities in which these funds are now invested.

Exhibit A is a balance sheet showing all the assets and liabilities of Grand Chapter. It includes the funds which are entrusted to and over which Grand Chapter has control.

The amount owing from the constituent Chapters again shows a heavy increase, the amount owing in 1962 was $895.39, this year the amount is $1,496.25 an increase of $600.89. This is too large an amount and we urge that the constituent Chapters make their annual remittance to Grand Chapter more promptly.

The Comparative Revenue and Expenditure Account marked Exhibit B indicates that our expenditures exceeded revenues by an amount of $2,298.10 and was in excess of amount budgeted for by $1,281.10. This was partially caused by purchase of supplies for resale, which exceeded the amount budgeted for by $620.00, the balance of the excess is covered in the general operating expenses of Grand Chapter. We are happy to record that the amount received from the sale of Grand Chapter Histories exceeded the amount budgeted for by $684.00. There is an amount of $1,087.58 due from the Life Membership Fund and we recommend that this amount be transferred to the General Fund as soon as funds are available in the Life Membership Fund.

Our securities have been examined and certified by our Auditor. They are held in a place and custody authorized by Grand Chapter and the present par value of all securities is $1,597.00.

Your Auditor again recommends that the actuarial requirements of the Life Membership Fund of Grand Chapter be re-computed and further that the $10.00 fee for life membership be increased to an amount to produce the current annual dues and we concur in his recommendations.

Your Committee wishes to commend the Grand Scribe E. for the efficient manner in which duties of his office are carried out and recommend that his salary be increased from $4,800.00 to $5,200.00 per annum.

We wish to present our estimate of revenue and expenditures for the year ending February 28th, 1964. In doing so we are again budgeting for a loss but feel that by holding the line in our expenses we hope to live within our proposed budget. We do feel, however, that as we are living in an age of increasing costs consideration should be given by Grand Chapter to offset this loss position.

PROPOSED ESTIMATE OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28th, 1964

Revenue		
Registration Fees	$ 2,500.00	
Dues per Capital	16,500.00	
Life Membership Dues	2,150.00	
Sale of Supplies	2,200.00	
Dispensations and Warrants	175.00	
Sale of History of Grand Chapter	100.00	
Interest on Investments	2,800.00	
	$26,425.00	
Net Loss for Period	1,212.00	
	$27,637.00	
Expenditures		
Grand Chapter Office:		
Grand Scribe E. Compensation	$5,200.00	
Office Assistants	3,200.00	
Rent	2,400.00	
Miscellaneous: Telephone, Postage, Office Supplies	1,100.00	
		$11,900.00
Printing:		
Proceedings	$1,650.00	
General	500.00	
		2,150.00
Foreign Correspondence—Reviewer		300.00
Audit Fee		500.00
Expenses:		
Convocation	$3,750.00	
Executive Committee	1,700.00	
		5,450.00
Travelling:		
Grand Z.	$2,000.00	
General	250.00	
		2,250.00
Jewels and Engraving		1,400.00
Grant Masonic Library		125.00
Grant Canadian Masonic Research Assn.		50.00
Chapter Life Membership Fund		2.00
Liability Insurance		1,110.00
Education and Masonic Instruction		500.00
Supplies for resale		1,200.00
Grand Z. Testimonial		350.00
Grand Z. Regalia		350.00
		$27,637.00

Your Finance Committee wishes to express to the Grand Z. their appreciation for his guidance and direction during the year.

All of which is fraternally and respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee.

F. C. ACKERT, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. F. C. Ackert, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Finance be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on Fraternal Dead reports as follows:

Another twelve months have passed since our last Convocation when we paid silent and reverent tribute to our Companions whom the Great Jehovah had called to their eternal rest in the Grand Chapter above. During those twelve months another group of our Companions, this time 504, have laid down the pick, crowbar and shovel for the last time and have gone to be with the Supreme Grand First Principal who presides over all creation.

The atheist has said, "There is no God." Masonry in all its branches teaches the complete opposite. One of the great landmarks of our craft is a belief in the existence of a Supreme Being. Therefore, we know and believe that these Companions who are no longer with us have found their resting place with Him, there to participate in all the joys and glories of His eternal Sabbath.

As we record the names of our beloved now passed into the ranks of the Final Degree in the Temple of Eternity we remember that their works "Do follow them."

As Carlyle declared, "All true work is sacred. In all true work, were it but true hand labor, there is something of divineness. Labor, wide as the earth, has its summit in heaven."

To attain their fulfilment they must have lived the philospohy of E. R. Sill, who said:

"Make this forenoon sublime,
This afternoon a psalm,
This night a prayer;
And Time is conquered,
And Thy crown is won."

While we may truly acknowledge our affection and regard for our Companions whom God took unto Himself and the debt they have laid upon us by their deeds and those personal contacts that have made so many strong, we pledge ourselves to continue the building and adornment of the great Temple of Fraternity and true citizenship.

"O living Spirit, all our powers reclaim;
Let Thy compassion set our souls aflame;
Form Thou in us a purpose true and pure,
That what we build together may endure.

High on the mountain of Thy holiness,
Above the fogs where Thou canst own and bless,
Help us the city of our God to build
Where all Thy plan for us may be fulfilled."

(Taken from The City of God by H. B. Robins)

The bonds of a common fellowship in Royal Arch Masonry are stardusted with the myriads of little personal touches that have come through the years; and in sorrow we search, though vainly, for the

"Touch of a vanished hand,
And the sound of a voice that is still."

So said Tennyson, but he also wrote—of that same departed friend—

"My love involves the love before;
My love is vaster passion now;
Tho' mixed with God and nature thou,
I seem to love thee more and more.

Far off thou art, but ever nigh;
I have thee still, and I rejoice;
I prosper, circled with thy voice;
I shall not lose thee, tho' I die."

Though we sorrow at the passing of these Companions we should be ever mindful that they have gained their reward for a life well spent and they have entered into the joy of our Lord.

Once again Tennyson has described the thought very aptly when he wrote:

"Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me,
And may there be no moaning at the Bar
When I put out to sea."

As we say au revoir to these Companions there comes to mind the opening sentence of every meeting of that very worthwhile organization born on the battlefields of Ypres and Poperinge in the First Great War known as "Toc H"—

"To our elder brethren,
Age shall not weary them,
At the going down of the sun
And in the morning
We will remember them."

The names of our Companions who have crossed the Bar are appended hereto and will appear in the proceedings.

All of which is fraternally and respectfuly submitted.

E. B. ROBINSON
R. L. HAZEN
L. G. PARLIAMENT
S. E. STEVENSON, Vice-Chairman
G. H. SHANNON, Chairman

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead be received.

Of the 504 of our Companions who answered the call to Higher Service the following 36 held Grand Chapter rank:

Chapter
2 V. Ex. Comp. Claude R. Lloyd
4 V. Ex. Comp. Oscar Henman King
8 Rt. Ex. Comp. Elmer M. Woolcock
19 V. Ex. Comp. Edward Richard Lewis, Rt. Ex. Comp. William Joseph Rose
31 V. Ex. Comp. Edward A. Pearce
36 V. Ex. Comp. John Dishart
40 Rt. Ex. Comp. James Llewellyn Hewson, Rt. Ex. Comp. Charles Elgin Morgan
48 R. Ex. Comp. Eldon Ford McFadyen, R. Ex. Comp. Hamilton Oiley Taylor
53 R. Ex. Comp. Arthur E. Loosemore

54 R. Ex. Comp. John Henning
79 R. Ex. Comp. George Jones
90 R. Ex. Comp. Joseph Lofthouse
91 R. Ex. Comp. John Benjamin Wallace
115 R. Ex. Comp. William W. Tough, R. Ex. Comp. Bernard C. Brown
119 V. Ex. Comp. Niall Dennis Peters
129 R. Ex. Comp. Hector Arthur Mutton
140 R. Ex. Comp. Thomas William Love
146 R. Ex. Comp. Samuel J. Bartja, R. Ex. Comp. Adam Dahmer
148 V. Ex. Comp. Dr. D. A. Irvine
151 V. Ex. Comp. Alex. R. Fraser
214 R. Ex. Comp. George Tinney, R. Ex. Comp. Arthur E. Loosemoore
219 R. Ex. Comp. J. Llewellyn Hewson, V. Ex. Comp. Henry C. Kesteuen
224 R. Ex. Comp. Fred Eastwood
230 V. Ex. Comp. William A. Maxwell
235 R. Ex. Comp. William Robert McQuade
238 R. Ex. Comp. Henry I. Orr
250 V. Ex. Comp. Fred John Cowell
257 V. Ex. Comp. S. David Spence
260 R. Ex. Comp. J. Llewellyn Hewson

To our sister jurisdictions in Canada, the British Commonwealth of Nations and the United States of America we extend our sincere sympathy for the loss of their distinguished Companions.

GRAND CHAPTER OF R.A.M. OF ALABAMA
M. Ex. Comp. Radford Hall Ellis, Grand High Priest 1956-57
M. Ex. Comp. Claud Stallworth, Grand High Priest 1955-56

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALBERTA
M. Ex. Comp. Alfred Peart, Grand Z. 1951-52

THE GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ARIZONA
M. Ex. Comp. John Henry Orthel, Grand High Priest 1941
M. Ex. Comp. Alba Lee Massey, Grand High Priest 1947

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ARKANSAS
M. Ex. Comp. J. Miles Roberts, Grand High Priest 1953-54
M. Ex. Comp. Ben. Q. Adams, Grand High Priest 1941-42

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF COLORADO
M. Ex. Comp. Clyde Thomas Knuckey, Grand High Priest 1945-46

THE GRAND CHAPTER R.A.M. OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
M. Ex. Comp. John A. Hart, Grand High Priest 1954

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF IDAHO
M. Ex. Comp. Jay Glover Eldridge, Grand High Priest 1942

THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
M. Ex. Comp. Everett R. Turnbull, Grand High Priest 1914-15

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF LOUISIANA
M. Ex. Comp. Robert Wesley Cretney, Grand High Priest 1962

GRAND CHAPTER OF MAINE ROYAL ARCH MASONS
M. Ex. Comp. Charles Elmer Crosby, Grand High Priest 1936-37
M. Ex. Comp. Orivis Weston Bonney, Grand High Priest 1955-56

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MANITOBA
M. Ex. Comp. Francis Edwin Simmons, Grand Z. 1928

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MARYLAND
M. Ex. Comp. Harry Franklin Robinson, Grand High Priest 1962
M. Ex. Comp. Clarence McKinley Young, Grand High Priest 1950

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS
M. Ex. Comp. Alexander Campbell, Grand High Priest 1952-54

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MICHIGAN
M. Ex. Comp. Francis Barbour Lambie, Grand High Priest 1931-32
M. Ex. Comp. S. Elgin Miflin Jr., Grand High Priest 1928-29

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MINNESOTA
M. Ex. Comp. Arthur E. Cantelon, Grand High Priest 1931-32
M. Ex. Comp. Charles A. Olson, Grand High Priest 1960-61

GRAND CHAPTER OF MISSISSIPPI ROYAL ARCH MASONS
M. Ex. Comp. Alex Max Hyman, Honorary Past Grand High Priest
M. Ex. Comp. Sidney F. Curtis, Grand High Priest 1948

THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
M. Ex. Comp. Hamilton C. Smith, Grand High Priest 1941-42.

GRAND CHAPTER R.A.M. OF NEBRASKA
M. Ex. Comp. Harford N. Rosebush, Grand High Priest 1927-28

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF NEVADA
M. Ex. Comp. James Douglas Wallace, Grand High Priest 1930-31
Rt. Ex. Comp. Bryon Jeremiah Morris, Grand Lecturer

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF OHIO
M. Ex. Comp. George Ernest Reiff, Grand High Priest 1939-40

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF OKLAHOMA
M. Ex. Comp. Glenn B. Young, Grand High Priest 1955-56
M. Ex. Comp. Andy E. Anderson, Grand High Priest 1954-55

THE GRAND HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF PENNSYLVANIA
M. Ex. Comp. Arthur L. Miller, Grand High Priest 1949-50

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF SASKATCHEWAN
M. Ex. Comp. William F. Smith, Grand Z. 1933

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF TENNESSEE
M. Ex. Comp. James Isaac Walker, Grand High Priest 1928
M. Ex. Comp. Charles Albert Snodgrass, Grand High Priest 1933

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF TEXAS
M. Ex. Comp. John A. Atchison, Grand High Priest 1922
Rt. Ex. Comp. George E. Poulter, Deputy Grand High Priest 1962
M. Ex. Comp. Roy Bascom Underwood, Grand High Priest 1958

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF UTAH
M. Ex. Comp. Bert Atwater, Grand High Priest 1953-54

THE SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER OF VICTORIA
M. Ex. Rabbi Jacob Danglow, First Grand Principal 1945-46
M. Ex. Comp. Charles Frederick Irish, First Grand Principal-Elect

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF VIRGINIA
M. Ex. Comp. J. Elmer W. Timberman, Grand High Priest 1916
Rt. Ex. Comp. Erle Reid Kirby, Grand Captain of the Host
M. Ex. Comp. William Landon Davis, Grand High Priest 1930

THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF WASHINGTON
M. Ex. Comp. F. Alan Lane, Grand High Priest 1956-57

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF WEST VIRGINIA
M. Ex. Comp. Lawrence Golding Kincheloe, Grand High Priest 1929-30
M. Ex. Comp. Uriah Vermillion, Grand High Priest 1946-47

DEATHS—1962

Chapter

1 Chris Lake, Samuel Alexander Van Alstyne, Delmar John Cherry, Robert R. Greenlees, William Drew, James H. Rutherford, Robert S. Graham, Bruce M. Saundercook, Herbert Morris Gard, Joseph Stanley Duncombe, Henry Baker, Henry Stacey Warwick, John A. Pringle.

2 John Bibby, Arthur Leo Thomas Bramhall, George Edward Waller, Charles W. B. Friend, Joseph Scanlon, Albert Edward Skinner, Joseph J. Cheeseman, Samuel Hodgson Dolman, Claude Richard Lloyd.

3 Albert Thomas Taylor, Frederick Edmond Ford.
4 William B. Stringer, Robert John Gray, Alfred John Pelley, Franklin Sherwood Buck, Oscar Henman King, Herbert Russel White.
5 Harry Chester Percival, Thomas Redmond Merredith, Howard Bryant, Henry Walter Clark, John McKenzie Arthur, Arthur Quaiffe, Ahlmann Bertel Bertelson, Harold George Logan, William Harding Gerry.
6 Claude R. Lloyd, Herbert William Linke, Henry Day, Merlin V. Elliott, Norman William McCaskill, William Brown, William Joseph Dyson.
7 Fred Fraser, George Herbert Stokie, Christopher John Lewis, John Noakes, Harold Wilfred Thompson, Archibald Robert Scott, Arthur McGee, Donald J. Purdy, William H. Ghent.
8 William John Lowe, Frank Dorst, Arthur James Pugh, Charles F. White, Elmer Woolcock, Thomas George Hollobon.
15 Thomas Proctor Hall, Francis P. Dawson, Alex A. McNabb, Walter Reid, Alfred E. Finley, Milton Howard Miner.
16 Arthur C. Harris, William Albert Schafe, Arthur Alexander Larmour, Walter Erastus Weddel Jackson.
18 Samuel Lewis Foe, Lorne Albert Lynch, William Herbert Reynolds, Duncan McCallum.
19 Harold Bryce Culp, Charles Roy McGrachie, Russell Stapleford, Thomas William Rees, Albert James Gilmour, William McQueen, Edward Richard Lewis, Murvin J. McComb, William Joseph Rose.
20 Charles R. Hext, William John Muir, James Wood Milne, John Alexander McNaughton, Robert Melville McInnis, Melvin Becker Bowman, Walter Stanley Durand, Walter Oliver.
22 Chas. Edgar Wood, Raymond Eward, Milton W. Musgrave, Keith M. Laushway.
23 Alan Bart Jackson, John Anguish, Howard Andrew Anderson, James Henry Timmins.
24 Robert Fraser Hay.
26 Clarence Hilton Burley, Edward Nelson, William Henry Ireland, James Minto Patterson, Ralph Delaney, John Walter Hay Galloway.
27 Malcolme Archibald Livingstone, Alexander M. McFaul Jr.
28 Walter R. Lindsay Williamson, John Bell Jackson, John Whitford Graham, David James Brown.
29 Edgar S. Horney, Robert Vaughan.
30 James Leonard.
31 Dayton Erle Wark, Curtis B. Doxsee, Edward Alfred Pearce, George Nesbitt McKibbon.
32 Hugh Mathiesin.
34 Edward Richard Lewis.
35 William M. Pringle, Robert M. Deverell, Robert McNee, William John Townsley.
36 David Douglas Brown, William James Clark, John Dishart, Kenneth Newman Kingston.
37 Wilbert Henry Wakelin, William Reid MacTaggart, Norman Carder Yeo.
40 James David McArthur, Walter Grieve, Frank Crabtree, David Callander, George William Bard, Jacob Vet, David Benson Turner, James Llewellyn Hewson, Chas. Elgen Morgan.
41 Charles Ronald Steward, Robert Stirling Clark.
44 Datus Roderick Sharp, Edgar C. Hogarth, Harold Hilliard.
45 Chas. Henry Fenton, John Alex Page.
46 Ernest W. White.
47 Robert William Jarvis, Irvine Stover, Henry Goehring, Chas. R. Secord.
48 Eldon Ford McFadyen, George Henry Field, Hamilton Alley Taylor.
53 Robert George Smith, Arthur E. Loosemore, Norman Cecil Hebbert.

54 John E. Bailey, Frederick Hatcher, Ernest Edward Boye, John Smith Carleton, John Henning, William Henry Turvey, William Alfred Andrew Cowie, Harold Idsardi, Robert James S. Hood, Harry Clement Newkirk, Harvey Smout, Ross Garthorne Hepburn.
55 John Fry Johnson, Ray Frederick Doherty.
56 F. J. Daves, Lloyd M. Buckborough.
59 Thomas T. Mains, Norman Edward Farrow, Harold Francis Smith, Robert McCoubrie, James Edward Clealand, Chester Wellington Warren, Walter Chopple Stethem.
62 William James Cook, Mark John Smith.
64 William McQuitty, Malcolm Murdock McArthur, Christopher William Crowe.
65 Richard McKenzie Harcourt, Lovell Grant Meckles, James Starr Simpson.
66 George H. Jefferson, William J. Shamon.
67 Cecil Walter Edmesyon, William A. Lambert.
68 John Herbert Errett, Alfred Harry Kyle, Ernest C. McDougall.
69 William Lloyd Smith.
71 Franklin Sam Alex McGee, Russell Dibb Wigle.
72 Richard Herbert Buckingham.
74 Allan Thomas Richardson, Fred Boynton, Alexander McMeekin.
75 George William Bradt.
76 Chas. Victor Bradford.
77 Frederick Charles Cook, Leslie Fryer, Joseph Howlett, Alfred George Crane, Charles Thomas Leriche, John Albert Edward Smith, Arthur Edward Fegan, Arthur Russell Nesbitt, Lawrence Bolton, Nelson Glouser, John Henry Murray.
78 Arthur Leslie Snelgrove, James Leonard Dilkes, George L. Walker, Andrew S. Morton, Ray Garl Nunn, Merrill Hilton Mollard, George Cyrus Stewart, Stuart Earl Hicks.
79 Douglas F. Williams, George Frederick Weston, George Jones.
80 William George Wells, Elmer Wallace Luxford, William George Edward Harris, Robert Bell, Thomas Percy, John Basil Macon, Albert Edward Gray, Thomas William Appleby, Herbert M. Gard, Edward Phillips, Arthur Douglas Abbey, Fred E. Camper, George Franklyn Dryden.
82 John Harvey Wilson, Carl Franklin Smith, Arthur Vance McCallum, Alexander Hannah, Malcolm Maynard Spidell.
83 Canon C. C. Simpson, George Worley Thompson, Alexander Speers Walker, John Orr Little.
84 John William Hanna, Andrew G. Smith.
88 Everett Boylan, William Henry Hopper, Russell Donald McAlpine, Clarence McCarter, A. C. Arnold.
90 Joseph Lofthouse, John Douglas Welles.
91 Joseph Louis Martus, John Matthewson Bett, William Robert Scott, James Loch Gray Millar, John Benjamin Wallace, Harry Plunkett, James C. Hetherington, Thomas William Dowzard, William Mulholland, William E. Tomlinson, Peter McLaren, Norman Egan.
94 Thomas George Tilly, Frederick William Warren.
95 Arthur John Boyce, Gerald Herbert George Roseborough, Clement St. Aubyn Brooker, Thomas Bucklar Starkey, Carleton L. Wilson, Mortimer Moore, Samuel David Spence, Christopher Carter Simpson, Harry Melvin Claridge, Kenneth Ivan Meredith, Iver Erickson, Charles George Carrington, Bjarme Nilsen, Harry Becker Edward, William Wilson Becket, Chester R. Wellington.
102 William Jeffrey, Erwin G. Edwards, Edward Myhill, Robert Henry Wood, Charles William Duncan, Joseph Scott Stone, Joseph Charles Pinch.

103 Harry G. Thorpe, Harvey Burrows, Charles Edward Reynolds, Clifford Cecil Pearson, Frederick Milne, Lionel Brodie Christie, Robert Arthur Torrence, Harold Haley.
104 William Edgar Deane, Wilson N. Robinson, Benjamin Ware, John Stuart Hope.
112 Hector Allan Smith, Donald Rae McCaslin, Robert Henry Wannell.
113 Harold Allan Smith, Albert William Jackson, Dexter Percival Robertson, Walter Jacob Mills, Archie Dover, James Francis Graham, Alexander Duncan McNaughton.
114 Athos Gordon Appleby, Edwin Roy Sayles, Ewan Francis Lyon.
115 William Weir Tough, David McCallum, Bernard Cecil Brown.
116 Albert Lloyd Couley Tubman.
117 Victor Stanley McIntyre, Lionel F. Boehmer, Wesley C. Kramp.
119 F. A. Wilkinson, Toy Ives, Niall Denis Peters, Harry Kiff, Harry Arno Collard.
129 Ernest Edwards Robinson, H. A. Mutton.
130 David Young.
131 Gordon Reid, Wilfred Harold Andrew Hill, Lawrence Kain.
132 William Henry John Gilbert, David A. Haig, George Arthur Smith.
133 John A. Blackburn, Parker N. Hull.
135 Thomas C. Leask.
138 William John Buchanan, Frederick Karl Mayhew, William Russell Follis, Charles Corbett.
140 Thomas W. Love.
144 Frederick G. Brown, William John Nesbitt, Charles Wilson, G. Thayer Solomon, Thomas Lockwood.
145 George Holliday, John Anderson, James Wardle, Norman G. Heyd, Ernest Edward Boyle, David Andrew Weir, Cecil Lorne Ford, Harold Watt Davidson, Roy Elverton Wagar, Maitland Douglas Johnson, David Pollock Collins.
146 Samuel L. Bartja, Adam Dahmer.
148 William Robert Hall, Duncan A. Irvine.
150 John Gartley, Gordon Bedggood, Walter Percival, George Garrow, Kenneth Alvin Powell, Albert Edward Taylor.
151 Alexander R. Fraser, Harold W. Coakley, William Roy Deavitt.
152 James Alexander Cumming, Albert Edward Corrier, William Johnson McKinney.
153 James Burnett, Donald M. Duchene, Gordon George Kinny.
155 Edmond Charles Walls, Alexander Robertson.
161 Charles Napier Whylock, Lionel Keith Crawford, Harold Papineau Purdy.
164 Roy Ward, Lloyd Wesley Holland, Douglas B. Sheath, Gordon Huffman.
167 Walter Gwynn Watkins, Alex McCullagh.
168 John Eric Henry Free, John Irwin Adams.
169 Hiram Proctor, William Russel Gorbutt, Victor Donald Durnett.
175 Samuel Vila, William Lloyd Edward.
184 Elgin Carl Rose.
195 William John Beard, John William McConnell.
198 Charles Ferguson Fletcher, Alexander H. McLean, Borge Jarnel.
205 Finlay Rose, Gordon Abbey Gardner, C. Lorne Ford, Harold William Scardifield.
210 Alexander Peter Fraser, Obadiah Henry Switzer.
212 Harry Peterson, George Shnier, Arthur Gold.
213 Godfrey Johnson, John Shankman, Neil McKinnen.
214 George Russell Finney, Carmen C. Harper, John A. MacDonald, Arthur Ernest Loosemore, Robert Walker.
215 John Alexander Rome, Thomas Henry Sumner.
217 Arthur Burley, John William Chatel, Benjamin Grieve, Arthur Thomas Glaze, Frederick L. Walker.

219 James Llewellyn Hewson, Henry Charles Kesteven.
221 William Sinclair Hunter, Harold Andrew Hill.
222 Rudolph Martin Anderson, Max Baylin, Alfred William Charles Trew, Watson Godfrey Le Mesurier, Harold Edward Thompson, William Gerald Henderson.
223 C. George Caldwell, Mortimer York Stevens.
224 Robert Alston, Fred Eastwood, Albert Edward Jenkinson.
225 Cleworth Mills, Joseph Robert Bickerstaff.
226 Frank Andrew Cole, Arthur Ennis, Charles Hall Stewart, James Baxter, Evan M. Doull.
230 William Maxwell, Herbert John Mazard.
231 Charles Henry Carson.
232 Frank Genovese.
234 Ernest Scott Thompson, Hugh Dickie, Wilfred Bird.
235 William Robert McIuade, Arwood Cairns.
236 John Hacon Forster.
238 Henry Inglis Orr, Lebert Hill Jones, Joseph Fellows.
239 Alexander McLaughlin.
240 Hassan Breen.
241 George Ross Workman.
242 Hilbert M. Rhame.
245 Walter Sauder.
246 George James Edwin Bullmore.
247 Robert Henry Ring, Cecil Clyde Ford Oliver.
249 George William James.
250 Alfred Stanley Ellis, Fred John Cowell, Edwin John Lee, Victor Leo Dales.
251 Nelson C. Loney, George Archibald Howes, John F. Edis.
252 Frank McGerr, Louis A. Stotasky, John Wellington Rowsliffe, Ewald Gustave Kremer, Sydney Charles Pratt, Edwin Shaw.
253 Bernhardt Jensen.
254 Ernest Bratland, Frank Foulis.
255 James Hughard McDonald.
257 Chester R. Ferguson, Samuel David Spence.
259 Henry Alexander Whiddon.
260 Daniel William Thomas, J. Llewellyn Hewson.
261 Solomon Shamess.
262 Samuel S. Dolman.
263 C. Lorne Ford.

GRAND CHAPTER "CALLED OFF"

Grand Chapter was "Called Off" at 4.30 o'clock p.m. to permit the delegates to select their Grand Superintendents and elect the officers of Grand Chapter for the ensuing year and the next place of meeting.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 1963

Grand Chapter was "Called On" at 9.30 o'clock a.m.

ELECTION REPORT

At the One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario held in the Royal York Hotel, City of Toronto, Ontario, on April 23 and 24, 1963, the following officers and committees were elected and appointed.

V. Ex. Comp. J. A. Prince, Chairman, and V. Ex. Comp. E. Jenkins, Vice-Chairman, presented the results of the election as follows:

M. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, M.D. ..... Grand Z.
165 Victoria Ave. N., Listowel, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven ..... Grand H.
581 Weller St., Peterborough, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis ..... Grand J.
421 St. Clarens Ave., Toronto 4, Ont.
} Grand Council

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS, 1963

R. Ex. Comp. Rev. S. Ernest Stevenson, Thamesville ..... Grand Chaplain
M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean ..... Grand Treasurer
244 Holton Ave. South, Hamilton, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Robert John Hamilton ..... Grand Scribe E.
514 Temple Bldg., 62 Richmond St. W., Toronto 1, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. A. G. Ness ..... Grand Scribe N.
2229 Hawkins St., Niagara Falls, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Earl J. McKeever ..... Grand Principal Sojourner
10 Julia St., Port Hope, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. John M. Hood ..... Grand Registrar
329 Eglinton Ave. E., Toronto 12, Ont.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Elected

R. Ex. Comp. F. Carl Ackert, 1 Lincoln Ave., Galt, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Wellington Smith, 166 Third St., Fort Francis, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Andrew Nisbett Jr., 17 Sturton Rd., Weston, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Frederick Scott, 41 Fairfield Ave. N., Hamilton, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. E. K. Hogaboom, 450 Gladstone Ave., Toronto 4, Ont.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

The nominations for Grand Superintendents were submitted to the Most Excellent Grand Z., who was pleased to approve, and the following selections were confirmed:

St. Clair District No. 1 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Fred Yardley
57 Baxter St., Chatham, Ont.
London District No. 2 ..... R. Ex. Comp. A. James Facer
322 Wellington St., Sarnia, Ont.
Wilson District No. 3 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Charles Herbert Swatridge
R.R. No. 2, Courtland, Ont.
Wellington District No. 4 ..... R. Ex. Comp. John Newing Edwards
Marle Lake, Hanover, Ont.
Hamilton District No. 5 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Clifford George Lewington
336 Pearl St., Box 433, Milton, Ont.
Huron District No. 6 ..... R. Ex. Comp. William Henry Reed
160 Water St., Stratford, Ont.
Niagara District No. 7 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Norman Farrington
Niagara Parkway, Queenston, Ont.
Toronto East District No. 8 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Ernest William Bath
80 Waverley Rd. ,Toronto 8, Ont.
Toronto West District No. 8A ..... R. Ex. Comp. Henry Walter Clark
91 Sheppard Ave. E., Willowdale, Ont.
Georgian District No. 9 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Burton Mansell Conron
537 Hurontario St., Collingwood, Ont.
Ontario District No. 10 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Arthur George Coppin
227 Arthur St., Oshawa, Ont.
Prince Edward District No. 11 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Lorne Edward Vaughan
315 Bleecker Ave., Belleville, Ont.
St. Lawrence District No. 12 ..... R. Ex. Comp. William Harold Gummer
242 Westdale Ave., Kingston Ont.
Ottawa District No. 13 ..... R. Ex. Comp. William Cecil Carson
250 Iona St., Ottawa 3, Ont.
Algoma District No. 14 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Lambert John Oscar Sundin
182 Pine Crescent, Box 1302, Atikokan, Ont.

New Ontario District No. 15 ..... R. Ex. Comp. William Brown Walker
2031 Kingsway, R.R. No. 1, Sudbury, Ont.
Temiskaming District No. 16 ..... R. Ex. Comp. Kenneth Griffin
Box 790, Teck Hughes Property, Kirkland Lake, Ont.

The newly elected Grand Superintendents were subsequently addressed and given the necessary instructions as to the duties pertaining to their office.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

The One Hundred and Sixth Annual Convocation will be held in the City of Toronto, Ontario, on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 21 and 22, 1964, commencing at 10 o'clock in the forenoon as per Section 20 of the Constitution.

There being no election for the office of Grand J., the Grand Z. announced that at precisely 10 a.m. another vote would be held on the convention floor of the Royal York Hotel for which purpose the Grand Z. called off Grand Chapter for a period of 15 minutes.

Grand Chapter Called On.

V. Ex. Comp. James A. Prince, chairman of scrutineers, reported that for the office of Grand J., R. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis had received the necessary majority.

The Grand Z. thanked V. Ex. Comp. Prince and his committee for their assistance in the election of Grand Chapter officers for the 1963-64 period.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on Membership has a most interesting and stimulating report to present to you for the year 1962.

Interesting because it shows the steady progress we are making and stimulating because it offers us every opportunity to rededicate ourselves to the Royal Craft with the knowledge that by so doing we can and will make Royal Arch Masonry a strong, vibrant force for good in our daily lives and the lives of those around us.

Our gains in admission—joinings and restorations—show a total increase of 919 members. This figure is almost twice the number lost through withdrawals and suspensions. Your committee feels every member should find real encouragement in this strong advance.

This is a time for us to take fresh courage, a time to open our eyes to the broad general picture, to see and recognize the strengthening ties in all areas of our organization. We must have a love of our time-honored institution deep within our hearts, a sense of dedication and a knowledge of the implications of that dedication, and we must have the ability to put it to the best possible use for the furtherance of Royal Arch Masonry.

Our devotion and our efforts on behalf of our branch of Masonry must be wholehearted; no half way measures will do if we are to be successful in our endeavors.

The keystones are fortitude and desire. Fortitude to carry on in the face of any or all adversity and continue to exert an influence for good toward all mankind.

You perhaps inquire, "Why are these remarks addressed to me?" There is a good reason, my Companions. You who are in attendance here and now are the strong, firm foundation of our entire institution. You are the faithful, devoted Royal Arch Masons who are genuinely interested in our organization, the Companions best qualified to carry the messages and inspirations of Grand Chapter back to your individual Chapters and

to see that the close ties existing between each and every Chapter and the Grand Chapter are kept firm and secure.

We must continue to think and act as a strong aggressive force for good and this can only be accomplished effectively if we think and act together—unitedly.

As chairman of the Membership Committee we had ample opportunity to visit many Chapters in various parts of our jurisdiction. In every case we found a deep respect and a warm regard for Grand Chapter and the obviously dedicated job its Principals were doing to cement even more firmly the close bond which exists between us.

We had the privilege of presenting several jewels, some for 50 years of service to the Royal Craft, others for 25 years of service as a Past Principal, and may we say how thrilled and inspired we were to be so closely associated with many of these senior Companions.

It made us keenly aware of the great swath the scythe of the Divine Reaper cuts from our ranks each year. Your Committee on Fraternal Dead will no doubt cover this subject in detail, but we must report, and we do so with sincere and deep regret, that we have lost 504 Companions to the Grand Chapter above this year. This is perhaps the greatest number of Companions who have passed from us in any single year during our entire history.

We feel, and we know you join us in this regard, that while we mourn the passing of these Companions we must face the fact that new members have to be introduced to Royal Arch Masonry if we are to strengthen and revitalize our institution. Yet it is well to remember that just to create new members for sheer numerical strength is not our prime purpose. The Royal Craft is a powerful force for good in our communities, in our lives, and we must ever remember, even at the lowest ebb of our earthly fortunes, both as individuals and members of the Royal Arch, that the Supreme Being will not let us falter of fail if we have faith in Him and His purpose for us.

There is strong evidence that while we with all our human frailties may become concerned, God has, in his infinite wisdom, revealed to us on numerous occasions throughout His Holy Book that He walks with us, that He is concerned for us, that He stands ready to help us if we but have faith and walk in His ways.

Those who are in office have a deep responsibility and must realize that they are laying the foundation for future Companions just as our forefathers did for us.

There are many areas we can suggest as a means to develop new memberships, but we feel very sincerely that a system of mere mechanical manipulation is not the key. We believe the real answer lies within ourselves, within each one of us as individuals—how we live our daily lives, how we work with our fellowmen and more particularly our Companions; how we fulfill the Masonic principals. Yes, Companions, it's not how often have we asked a Craft Mason to join with us but how often have we demonstrated in our lives a reason for him to want to join with us.

We have now, and have had for as far back as my memory goes, extremely capable and devoted leadership, men who are strong in their convictions that the Royal Craft has a very real and challenging place in God's plan for us. Are we as individuals going to let that leadership go for nought? Your committee does not think so. We believe that all signs point to a renewal of interest, a rebirth of purpose, a rededication of principal and if we hold firm to our beliefs, to our faith and walk forward with our hand in God's hand He will help us and we will never falter or fail.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

A. S. HALEY
A. T. WHEELER
M. P. MORRIS
S. SHAVER
STANLEY PORTCH, Chairman

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Special Committee on Membership be received and adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS AND GREETINGS

Letters were received conveying greetings and expressing regrets for non-attendance from:

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia—
M. Ex. Comp. J. St. E. Meiss, Grand Z.
The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois—
M. Ex. Comp. Ben H. Hall, Grand High Priest.
Grand Chapter of Maine Royal Arch Masons—
M. Ex. Comp. Benjamin Butler, Grand High Priest.
Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Hampshire—
M. Ex. Comp. G. B. Ward, Grand High Priest.
Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of New Jersey—
M. Ex. Comp. Lee B. Smith, Grand High Priest.
The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Brunswick—
M. Ex. Comp. Waldo Y. Leeman, Grand Z.
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Ohio—
M. Ex. Comp. Harry E. Sark, Grand High Priest.
Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations—
Comp. George H. Ostrander, M. Ex. Grand High Priest.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GEOGRAPHICAL SURVEY

To the Most Excellent Grand Z., Officers and Members of Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Grand Z. and Companions:

The committee regrets to report it has no activities to report as none of the Districts in the Grand Jurisdiction have requested any change since the last Annual Convocation.

We, therefore, can only assume that the Districts are satisfied with their present conditions and therefore we suggest that the Committee on Geographical Survey be dismissed.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

WELLINGTON SMITH
J. L. HOUSE, Chairman

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. J. L. House, and—

Resolved—That the Report of the Committee on Geographical Survey be received and adopted.

OFFICERS INSTALLED AND INVESTED

M. Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw installed and invested the newly elected officers of Grand Chapter, including the Grand Superintendents

of the several Districts, and they were proclaimed and saluted according to ancient custom.

VOTE OF THANKS

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Reginald J. Lewis, and—

Resolved—That the thanks of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario be extended to:

The Credential Committee, under the direction of R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Woodland, for the efficient manner in which they carried out their duties;

The Scrutineers, under the direction of V. Ex. Comp. A. J. Prince, for their services in taking charge of the election of officers;

General Chairman and sub-committees who looked after the arrangements and for their untiring assistance, including the reception and entertainment of the delegates and their ladies;

The Installing Board, under the direction of M. Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw, and the Past Grand Zs and to all those who have contributed to the success of our One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convocation.

APPOINTED TO OFFICE

The following appointments have been made by Most Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Appointed

R. Ex. Comp. Everett C. Wood, 115 Catharine St., Belleville, Ont.

R. Ex. Comp. Lloyd B. Gillespie, 410 Eden Ave., Ottawa, Ont.

R. Ex. Comp. C. Harold Shannon, 30 Spetz St., Kitchener, Ont.

R. Ex. Comp. H. A. Fred Schytte, 109 Yonge Blvd., Toronto 12, Ont.

R. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, R.R. No. 2, 5059 Walkers Lane, Milton, Ont.

ASSISTANT OFFICERS—Appointed

M. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith ..... Grand Lecturer
169 Dufferin Ave., Belleville, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. Edgar C. Reid ..... Assistant Grand Chaplain
29 Argyle St., Caledonia, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. George Smith ..... Grand Senior Sojourner
286 Brunswick St., Stratford, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. A. Wolfraim ..... Grand Junior Sojourner
Colborne, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. H. P. Hopkinson ..... Grand Sword Bearer
38 Calumet Cres., Scarboro, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. Samuel Thornley ..... Grand Master Fouth Veil
308 Phipps St., Fort Erie, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. John McGill Derby ..... Grand Master Third Veil
15 Chapel Lane, Guelph, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. R. Clayton Hanna ..... Grand Master Second Veil
628 Lorne Ave., London, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. George Allison ..... Grand Master First Veil
Ancaster, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. Harold Burmaster ..... Grand Standard Bearer
39 Kinnear St., Ottawa, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. John E. Richardson ..... Grand Director of Ceremonies
433 Main St., Hamilton, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. Charles P. West ..... Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
10 North Park St., Belleville, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. William Shearer ..... Grand Organist
433 Whitmore Ave., Toronto 10, Ont.

ASSISTANT OFFICERS—Appointed (continued)

V. Ex. Comp. D. Shepherd.....Grand Pursuivant
401 Yonge St., Apt. 6, Kingston, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. George Archie Erwin.....Grand Steward
636 Hildegard St., Windsor, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Harold Haley.....Grand Steward
830 Queen St., North Bay, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Stanley Lorraine Earl.....Grand Steward
R.R. No. 3, Mitchell, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Edward Alvie Lee.....Grand Steward
235 Thorold Rd. W., Welland, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Hugh Gemmell Graham.....Grand Steward
105 Cedar St., Orillia, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. E. G. Rixon.....Grand Steward
Pefferlaw, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. William George Tryon.....Grand Steward
60 Princess St., Gananoque, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Walter William Whyte.....Grand Steward
15 Lake Ave. E., Box 646, Carleton Place, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. William Alexander Bowman.....Grand Steward
Box 763, New Liskeard, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Maxwell Adam Doupe.....Grand Steward
30 Garfield Ave., London, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Alexander Lawrence.....Grand Steward
33 Park Home Ave., Willowdale, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Ken Ethelbert Denison.....Grand Steward
38 Maple Ave. S., Port Credit, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp Stephen J. H. Quiney.....Grand Steward
4 Dunning Court, Dundas, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Edgar Hilton Emrick.....Grand Steward
Horning Mills, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. William Carlisle McNeilly.....Grand Steward
R.R. No. 1, Port Dover, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. David R. Lanktree.....Grand Steward
621 Red River Rd., Port Arthur, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Harry Savlov.....Grand Steward
18 Burnside Dr., Toronto 4, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. D. S. MacLachlan.....Grand Outer Guard
113 Gorevale Ave., Toronto 3, Ont.

GRAND Z's INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Most Excellent Sir, Most Excellent Sirs, Distinguished Guests and my Companions:

Thou that hast given so much to me
Give one thing more—
A thankful heart.
Not thankful when it pleaseth me,
As if Thy blessings had spare days:
But such a heart, whose pulse maybe
Thy praise.

My Companions, for the great honor you do me in electing me your Grand First Principal I approach the task with humility of spirit and some misgivings, but I can assure you, my Companions, that I shall do all in my power to promote the interests, enhance the influenve and maintain the fundamental principals of Capitular Masonry.

I am well aware of my limitations and shortcomings, but I have accepted the office with a firm determination to humbly devote my time,

my energies and whatever ability I may possess to the advancement of our great order.

Without the assistance of that Divine Being I cannot succeed.

With that assistance I cannot fail. Trusting in Him who can go with me, and remain with you, and be everywhere for good, let us go forward with confidence.

To His care commending you as I hope in your prayers you will commend me.

I touch my heart as the Easterns do:
May the peace of Allah abide with you
Where ever you come, where ever you go.
May the beautiful palms of Allah grow
Through days of labor and nights of rest,
May the love of Allah make you blest:
I touch my heart as the Easterns do.
May the peace of Allah abide with you.

The labors of the Annual Convocation being ended, Grand Chapter was closed in Ample Form at 12 noon, Toronto, Ontario, Wednesday, April 24, 1963.

Robert John Hamilton

Grand Scribe E.

Monday evening, April 22, 1963, the Grand Z. M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett invited his Council, P.G.Z.'s, Executive Committee to a dinner in the Tudor Room, Royal York Hotel, Toronto, to assist him in doing honors to his distinguished guests. At the same time Mrs. Joan Emmett and her committee entertained the wives and ladies of our distinguished guests with a dinner, etc., in the Algonquin Room, Royal York Hotel, Toronto.

Tuesday evening, April 23, 1963, the annual banquet was held in the Concert Hall of the Royal York Hotel, nearly 500 Companions and their ladies being present. Our Grand Z. was the chairman and he provided a very interesting program.

The guest speaker was the Very Rev. Finlay G. Stewart, minister of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kitchener, Ont. He was appointed moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, is chaplin of the local branch of the Veterans' Association, is active in the Reserve Army and holds the rank of major. He is a past chairman of the Kitchener Board of Education for Secondary Schools. Mr. Stewart's dedication to a life of service, to his church, his country, both during and after the war, and to his community provided the background for a stirring and inspiring address on his subject of "People Are People," the main theme being that of giving consideration to the individual.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—President

R. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven ..... Grand H.
(By Virtue of Office)
M. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, M.D. ..... Grand Z.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(By Virtue of Office)

M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, Q.C. ..... Grand Z. 1943-44
126 Old Orchard Grove, Toronto 12, Ont.

M. Ex. Comp. R. V. Conover, O.B.E. ..... Grand Z. 1945-46
Box 207, Brampton, Ont.

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M. Ex. Comp. Clarence MacLeod Pitts ..... Grand Z. 1949-50
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M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle ..... Grand Z. 1957-58
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1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui,	Kingston	3rd Fri.	V. F. Nielson	R. H. Seymour	299	6	1	—	3	9	13	— —	281	76	—	18
2	The Hiram,	Hamilton	4th Fri.	J. W. Jarvie	E. M. Marshall	207	5	1	1	1	1	9	— —	203	47	—	4
3	St. John's,	London	4th Wed.	F. Aldous	Chas. G. Smuck	230	4	—	—	2	—	2	— —	230	54	—	—
4	The St. Andrew & St. John,	Toronto	2nd Mon.	K. L. Bellamy	W. H. Wright	168	5	—	—	4	1	6	— —	162	38	—	6
5	St. George's		4th Fri.	J. E. C. Eriksson	J. A. Kennedy	303	4	1	2	1	12	9	— —	288	109	—	15
6	St. John's,	Hamilton	2nd Thurs.	L. R. Sweet	Fred Scott	149	6	—	—	2	—	7	— —	146	29	—	3
7	The Moira,	Belleville	1st Tues.	W. J. N. Throop	S. H. Lennox	245	6	1	—	1	1	9	— —	241	13	—	4
8	King Solomon's,	Toronto	4th Thurs.	L. Roberts	G. A. McConnell	299	9	—	1	—	—	6	— —	303	64	4	—
15	Wanwanosh,	Sarnia	2nd Fri.	L. Fieldman	H. R. Marriott	189	4	1	1	—	—	6	— —	189	22	—	—
16	Carleton,	Ottawa	3rd Wed.	Wm. Bradley	S. Gilmour	588	17	2	—	7	6	4	— —	590	60	2	—
18	Oxford,	Woodstock	4th Fri.	J. Meckbach	D. A. Ward	190	6	—	3	6	1	4	— —	188	22	—	2
19	Mount Moriah, St. Catharines		2nd Fri.	D. McLean	A. Omer	237	8	2	—	4	3	9	— —	231	11	—	6
20	Mount Horeb,	Brantford	3rd Thurs.	W. D. Ferguson	R. W. E. McFadden	159	1	—	—	2	2	8	— —	148	58	—	11
22	Grenville,	Prescott	2nd Tues.	N. G. MacQueen	G. R. Drummond	92	4	—	—	2	—	4	— —	90	8	—	2
23	Ezra,	Simcoe	2nd Thurs.	W. J. Thompson	F. L. Grigg	160	6	—	—	2	—	4	— —	160	22	—	—
24	Tecumseh,	Stratford	4th Fri.	Geo. Kiloh	G. S. Atkins	230	8	—	—	1	2	1	— —	234	18	4	—
26	St. Mark's,	Trenton	3rd Tues.	J. Birch	G. L. Thompson	142	13	1	—	—	—	6	— —	150	27	8	—
27	Manitou,	Collingwood	4th Wed.	N. T. Holden	J. E. Hughes	144	3	—	—	3	5	2	— —	137	27	—	7
28	Pentalpha,	Oshawa	1st Tues.	R. H. McKelvie	W. R. Jones	257	5	—	—	—	—	4	— —	258	30	1	—
29	McCallum,	Dunnville	3rd Mon.	L. J. Stringer	F. R. Martin	122	3	—	1	—	4	2	— —	120	6	—	2
30	Huron,	Goderich	3rd Tues.	J. E. Westbrook	W. H. Roope	142	2	—	—	3	—	1	— —	140	8	—	2
31	Prince Edward,	Picton	3rd Mon.	W. T. Havery	F. R. Greatrix	204	2	—	—	4	2	4	— —	196	2	—	8
32	Waterloo,	Galt	4th Thurs.	J. Shepherd	G. J. Johnson	160	11	—	—	—	—	1	— —	170	16	10	—
34	Signet,	Barrie	2nd Tues.	E. J. Myers	A. G. Bowie	136	8	2	—	2	—	1	— —	143	44	7	—
35	Keystone,	Whitby	2nd Mon.	A. F. Foote	L. F. Campbell	95	5	2	—	3	—	3	— —	96	3	1	—
36	Corinthian,	Peterborough	4th Wed.	R. K. Burns	D. Miller	368	15	4	—	2	—	5	— —	380	30	12	—
37	Victoria,	Port Hope	2nd Fri.	W. J. Lawrence	C. P. McElroy	154	3	—	—	1	3	3	— —	150	33	—	4
40	Guelph,	Guelph	2nd Fri.	D .H. E. Wilson	O. T. Flint	196	12	1	—	1	—	9	— —	199	7	3	—
41	Harris,	Ingersoll	4th Mon.	A. E. Gleason	L. L. Mansfield	108	3	—	—	1	2	2	— —	106	6	—	2
44	Mount Sinai,	Napanee	3rd Wed.	B. M. Huyck	El Zeran	126	1	—	—	1	—	3	— —	123	7	—	3
45	Excelsior,	Colborne	1st Fri.	R. Chapman	R. E. F. Pacey	46	—	—	—	—	—	2	— —	44	—	—	2
46	St. James,	St. Mary's	2nd Mon.	C. E. Dunseith	Geo. W. Muma	80	1	—	—	—	3	1	— —	77	17	—	3
47	Wellington,	Chatham	2nd Thurs.	A. L. Brown	H. D. Paulucci	137	4	1	—	2	—	4	— —	136	8	—	1

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48	St .John's,	Cobourg	4th Tues.	Wm. Baker	E. W. Niles	101	2	—	—	3	—	3	—	—	97	7	—	4
53	Bruce,	Petrolia	3rd Wed.	W. J. McKenna	R. M. Story	67	4	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	67	4	—	—
54	Palestine,	St. Thomas	2nd Thurs.	H. C. Evans	K. S. Woodward	302	12	—	—	—	—	12	—	—	302	66	—	—
55	Niagara,	Niagara-on-the-Lake	1st Fri.	E. A. Staines	E. W. Aldridge	64	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	64	1	—	—
56	Georgian,	Owen Sound	3rd Tues.	P. Cadesky	C. J. Baxendale	96	—	—	—	2	2	2	—	—	90	22	—	6
57	King Hiram,	Port Colborne	1st Thurs.	A. Bain	L. L. Doan	115	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	119	7	4	—
59	Sussex-St. Lawrence,	Brockville	1st Mon.	W. L. D. Flynn	J. G. Ruston	342	8	—	—	3	8	7	—	—	332	61	—	10
61	Granite,	Almonte	2nd Thurs.	R. A. Young	J. H. McLaughlin	87	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	88	4	1	—
62	York,	Toronto	2nd Fri.	H. B. Wilkinson	H. A. Armstrong	150	3	1	—	3	1	2	—	—	148	23	—	2
63	Havelock,	Kincardine	3rd Wed.	G. B. Urquhart	H. J. Norman	84	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	84	3	—	—
64	Willson,	Welland	1st Wed.	F. J. Christie	J. C. L. McKean	136	—	—	—	6	2	3	—	—	125	2	—	11
65	St. Paul's,	Toronto	2nd Wed.	Wm. A .Fry	Wm. J. Oatman	102	3	—	1	1	1	3	—	—	101	15	—	1
66	The Malloch,	Seaforth	3rd Mon.	A. Broadfoot	A. E. Matheson	85	3	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	86	1	1	—
67	Enterprise,	Palmerston	2nd Tues.	W. Brown	L. E. Morphy	89	1	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	87	4	—	2
68	Maitland,	Kemptville	2nd Thurs.	C. B. Glover	C. D. Beckett	95	2	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	94	3	—	1
69	Grimsby,	Grimsby	1st Mon.	W .Clark	W. Fairbrother	77	2	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	77	7	—	—
71	Prince of Wales,	Essex	2nd Fri.	C. H. Brushett	R. C. Brushett	152	1	—	—	3	13	2	—	—	135	10	—	17
72	Keystone,	Stirling	4th Thurs.	R. B. Murray	W. Warren	75	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	76	7	1	—
73	Erie,	Ridgetown	3rd Mon.	H. E. Smith	T. E. Armstrong	103	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	105	5	2	—
74	Beaver,	Strathroy	1st Mon.	E. Denning	A. W. Holt	96	1	1	1	3	—	3	—	—	93	11	—	3
75	St. Clair,	Milton	3rd Thurs.	W. H. Smellie	E. Harrop	99	5	—	—	1	9	1	—	—	93	—	—	6
76	Mount Nebo,	Niagara Falls	3rd Fri.	E. Robins	R. G. Johnston	100	6	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	104	43	4	—
77	Occident,	Toronto	2nd Fri.	A. L. Lee	C. Aikins	371	5	—	—	5	11	11	—	—	349	83	—	22
78	Minnewawa,	Parkhill	3rd Mon.	R. C. Guenther	C. J. Fox	110	6	—	—	—	4	8	—	—	104	1	—	6
79	Orient,	Toronto	4th Wed.	W. A. Smith	A. O. Cook	99	4	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	99	20	—	—
80	Ark,	Windsor	1st Mon.	C. E. Hillman	C. W. Flett	299	5	—	2	2	9	13	—	—	282	85	—	17
81	Aylmer,	Aylmer	1st Thurs.	N. R. Brooks	R. E. Moore	104	2	—	2	3	1	—	—	—	104	12	—	—
82	Shuniah,	Port Arthur	3rd Wed.	T. H. Hill	S. H. Green	282	7	—	—	3	5	5	—	—	276	39	—	6
83	Ionic,	Orangeville	4th Tues.	R. G. Gillespie	W. B. Gillespie	95	3	—	—	3	1	4	—	—	90	4	—	5
84	Lebanon,	Wingham	3rd Tues.	N. Keating	A. Corrigan	101	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	99	12	—	2
88	MacNabb,	Dresden	4th Tues.	J. W. Hornell	H. M. Dunlop	105	4	—	1	2	4	5	—	—	99	—	—	6
90	Golden,	Kenora	4th Wed.	E. P. Mackie	J. F. Bellamy	152	8	1	—	1	—	2	—	—	158	10	6	—
91	Toronto-Antiquity,	Toronto	3rd Mon.	E. J. Brown	A. Geary	179	6	—	—	1	4	12	—	—	168	38	—	11
94	Midland,	Lindsay	3rd Thurs.	E. G. Scott	L. A. Gilkinson	104	4	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	105	31	1	—

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95	Tuscan,	Sudbury	2nd Tues.	A. F. Killah	P. A. Coates	353	35	—	1	2	—	16	—	—	371	19	18	—
102	Algonquin, Sault Ste. Marie		2nd Fri.	V. Bizley	J. G. Cameron	260	12	1	1	—	—	7	—	—	267	27	7	—
103	St. John's,	North Bay	1st Thurs.	R. Hemmings	W. L. Brown	158	5	2	—	2	2	8	—	—	153	24	—	5
104	White Oak,	Oakville	2nd Tues.	W. H. Secord	E. A. Wood	121	10	—	—	2	—	4	—	—	125	3	4	—
110	Warkworth,	Warkworth	2nd Wed.	Jas. Doidge	W. G. Taylor	52	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	53	—	1	—
112	St. John's,	Morrisburg	3rd Mon.	D. R. Hough	E. J. MacDougal	133	3	—	—	3	3	3	—	—	127	10	—	6
113	Covenant,	Cornwall	3rd Wed.	W. C. Black	G. E. McCutcheon	263	4	—	—	4	—	7	—	—	256	25	—	7
114	Bonnechere,	Renfrew	3rd Mon.	J. B. Wilson	H. Young	109	5	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	110	10	1	—
115	Brant,	Paris	3rd Mon.	Wm. Byard	H. J. Broughton	126	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	122	12	—	4
116	Maple,	Carleton Place	1st Wed.	J. C. Saunders	W. W. Whyte	123	3	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	124	33	1	—
117	Kitchener,	Kitchener	1st Fri.	E. E. Brown	W. E. James	173	4	1	—	—	—	3	—	—	175	11	2	—
119	King Cyrus,	Leamington	2nd Wed.	H. G. Overholt	R. A. Willett	158	3	—	—	2	1	5	—	—	153	22	—	5
129	Elliot,	Mitchell	1st Tues.	J. A. McDonald	E. J. Hingst	89	5	—	—	1	1	2	—	—	90	6	1	—
130	Chantry,	Southampton	1st Tues.	C. Manning	W. H. Gorrell	55	3	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	56	2	1	—
131	Amabel,	Wiarton	Last Tues.	J. L. Spence	Orville Greig	100	9	1	—	1	—	3	—	—	106	3	6	—
132	Leeds,	Gananoque	4th Tues.	J. S. Thomas	F. H. Sceviour	105	5	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	107	9	2	—
133	St. Francis,	Smith Falls	3rd Fri.	F. Fairfield	C. A. Bailey	184	17	2	—	—	—	2	—	—	201	3	17	—
134	King Darius,	Cannington	3rd Wed.	H. A. Kernohan	A. Parliament	58	3	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	59	—	1	—
135	Succoth,	Uxbridge	2nd Thurs.	W. J. Morgan	H. V. Watson	68	3	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	68	8	—	—
138	Shekinah,	Toronto	2nd Tues.	G. T. Ferguson	R. R. Parsons	274	18	2	—	4	5	4	—	—	281	28	7	—
140	Fort William,	Fort William	1st Mon.	W. B. Stasiv	F. LeGassick	180	6	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	185	8	5	—
143	Glengarry,	Maxville	4th Fri.	N. M. McLeod	C. B. McDermid	57	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	59	2	2	—
144	Presqu'ile,	Brighton	3rd Tues.	F. Lindsey	F. G. Gibbons	59	1	—	—	—	—	5	—	3	52	2	—	7
145	The St. Patrick,	Thornhill	3rd Tues.	M. A. Dobson	J. Rainey	352	5	—	1	14	—	11	—	—	333	120	—	19
146	Bernard,	Listowel	1st Tues.	J. S. Gee	G. R. E. McKechnie	116	4	1	—	—	1	2	—	—	118	3	2	—
147	Lucknow,	Lucknow	2nd Tues.	G. J. Fisher	A. Hughes	77	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	77	—	—	—
148	St. John's,	Vankleek Hill	4th Thurs.	L. G. Harcourt	M. J. McLeod	93	—	—	—	—	5	2	—	—	86	—	—	7
149	Atwood,	Rainy River	3rd Thurs.	W. G. Locking	W. B. Warner	50	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	46	1	—	4
150	London,	London	3rd Tues.	W. P. Dicks	M. A. Doupe	164	8	—	2	—	—	6	—	—	168	60	4	—
151	Laurentian,	Pembroke	3rd Thurs.	V. Poland	L. A. Schultz	165	5	—	—	2	—	3	—	—	165	3	—	—
152	Alberton,	Fort Frances	2nd Tues.	C. F. Schubring	D. C. Baldwin	156	9	—	—	1	2	3	—	—	159	10	3	—
153	Sombra,	Wallaceburg	1st Mon.	G. Simpson	J. Burnett	115	2	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	114	3	—	1
155	Ancaster,	Ancaster	3rd Tues.	J. D. Calder	Geo. Penny	84	4	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	85	2	1	—
161	Madoc,	Madoc	4th Mon.	G. C. Gaebel	D. Kernohan	143	4	—	—	—	6	3	—	—	138	9	—	5
163	The Beaches,	Toronto	3rd Mon.	R .W. Baxter	D. C. Armstrong	107	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	110	17	3	—

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164	Lorne, West	Lorne	3rd Fri.	M. S. Thompson	C. L. Shaw	79	2	—	—	—	—	4	— —	77	2	—	2
167	Kichikewana,	Midland	2nd Mon.	A. H. Steer	H. A. Humphries	156	3	1	—	—	—	2	— —	158	24	2	—
168	Ionic,	Campbellford	3rd Mon.	Wm. McComb	W. H. Brady	155	3	—	—	1	2	2	— —	153	43	—	2
169	Temiskaming,	New Liskeard	2nd Thurs.	D. Boyd	W. A. Bowman	86	—	—	1	—	—	3	1 —	85	12	—	1
175	The Hamilton,	Hamilton	3rd Tues.	J. W. Fulkerson	J. H. Rogers	122	8	—	—	2	4	2	— —	122	9	—	—
184	Hugh Murray,	Fort Erie	2nd Tues.	C. Howard	Wm. Rostron	96	6	—	—	—	—	1	— —	101	1	5	—
195	Peel,	Brampton	1st Tues.	W. B. Cannon	M. G. Williamson	150	2	1	—	1	—	2	— —	150	10	—	—
198	Couchiching,	Orillia	2nd Fri.	N. R. Robertson	M. A. Mac Donald	164	12	—	—	1	—	3	— —	172	9	8	—
205	Victoria,	Thornhill	1st Wed.	J. A. Bell	G. J. Hall	111	6	2	—	3	4	4	— —	108	8	—	3
210	Kitchener,	Russell	1st Wed.	H. J. Thomas	W. M. Stanley	88	4	—	—	—	—	2	— —	90	13	2	—
212	Mount Sinai,	Toronto	1st Tues.	I. M. Ingles	Abraham Fox	394	20	1	—	—	1	3	— —	411	18	17	—
213	Northern Lights,	Timmins	3rd Wed.	W. E. Clement	A. E. Humphries	144	6	—	—	3	—	3	— —	144	34	—	—
214	Vimy,	Inwood	2nd Mon.	H. Colhoun	J. S. Maddock	83	2	—	—	2	6	5	— —	72	9	—	11
215	Mimico,	Mimico	1st Wed.	D. C. Reedie	A. E. Hunt	111	10	—	—	1	2	2	— —	116	6	5	—
217	St. Alban's,	Toronto	4th Fri.	C. C. Kerr	C. R. Kincaid	138	5	—	1	2	4	5	— —	133	12	—	5
218	Prince Edward,	Shelburne	2nd Thurs.	H. Newell	H. Emrick	60	2	—	—	—	2	—	— —	60	—	—	—
219	Ulster,	Toronto	4th Thurs.	H. D. McLauchlan	Geo. Ben	92	7	1	—	—	—	2	— —	98	6	6	—
220	Lebanon,	Lambton Mills	3rd Wed.	H. J. Rothwell	W. M. Creech	111	3	—	—	1	—	—	— —	113	1	2	—
221	Durham,	Durham	3rd Tues.	A. Dawson	H. C. McKechnie	51	1	1	—	1	—	2	— —	50	6	—	1
222	Ottawa,	Ottawa	2nd Thurs.	A. T. Aldred	G. A. Kent	320	5	2	—	5	8	6	— —	308	38	—	12
223	Abitibi,	Iroquois Falls	Last Wed.	H. Richter	H. A. Jones	75	—	—	—	2	—	2	— —	71	—	—	4
224	Keystone,	Hamilton	1st Mon.	J. H. Watson	W. L. Pratt	113	6	1	—	2	9	3	— —	106	18	—	7
225	Beaver,	Toronto	2nd Wed.	J. R. Dempster	J. Broadfoot	95	8	—	—	1	—	2	— —	100	2	5	—
226	Prince of Wales,	Perth	3rd Thurs.	W. H. Keays	L. V. Wood	140	1	—	1	1	—	5	— —	136	—	—	4
227	Quinte Friendship,	Belleville	2nd Mon.	E. L. Goodman	Mont. Barlow	225	15	1	—	—	3	—	— —	238	36	13	—
230	Port Credit,	Port Credit	4th Tues.	J. W. MacDonald	J. I. Parke	96	3	—	—	—	2	2	— —	95	2	—	1
231	The St. Clair,	Toronto	2nd Thurs.	N. E. Ware	A. W. Johnson	187	2	—	—	1	—	1	— —	187	19	—	—
232	King Cyrus,	Toronto	3rd Wed.	R. Smith	W. D. Harrison	100	10	1	—	—	—	1	— —	110	9	10	—
233	Oakwood,	Toronto	1st Wed.	G. H. Howard	Jas. Wood	88	5	1	—	4	—	—	— —	90	3	2	—
234	Halton,	Georgetown	3rd Wed.	J. Dunn	Jack Addy	128	7	—	—	1	1	3	— —	130	4	2	—
235	Aurora,	Aurora	4th Mon.	H. Foote	E. J. Eveleigh	107	8	—	—	1	2	2	— —	110	7	3	—
236	Caledonia,	Caledonia	4th Thurs.	G. Cruickshank	E. C. Reid	83	2	—	—	—	—	1	— —	84	1	1	—
238	The St. Andrew,	London	4th Thurs.	L. Adilman	A. V. Sedgwick	218	2	1	—	2	9	3	— —	207	33	—	11
239	Blenheim,	Blenheim	1st Wed.	E. Soles	E. B. Fryer	91	1	—	—	—	—	1	— —	91	—	—	—

No.	Name of Chapter	Where Held	Regular Convocation	First Principal For Year 1963	Scribe E. For Year 1963	Membership 31 Dec., 1961	Admissions	Joinings	Restorations	Withdrawals	Suspensions	Deaths	Adjustment Plus	Adjustment Minus	Membership 31 Dec., 1962	Life Members 31 Dec., 1962	Increase	Decrease
240	Smithville,	Smithville	4th Mon.	L. T. Vail	S. Magder	39	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	36	—	—	3
241	University,	Thornhill	1st Tues.	F. P. Oliver	E. Pickles	111	—	2	—	1	2	1	—	—	109	18	—	2
242	St. Paul's,	Lambeth	1st Tues.	E. K. Daniel	J. B. Lawrence	66	2	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	68	—	2	—
243	McKay,	Stoney Creek	2nd Wed.	A. Crook	J. H. Lee	72	1	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	69	4	—	3
245	Preston,	Preston	4th Tues.	G. J. Weber	A. Jefkins	64	—	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	64	3	—	—
246	Humber,	Weston	3rd Fri.	D. C. Danby	J. M. Bremner	154	4	4	—	2	7	1	—	—	152	10	—	2
247	Nilestown,	Nilestown	3rd Thurs.	R. C. Neely	G. M. Kirkpatrick	140	5	—	—	5	—	2	—	—	138	8	—	2
248	Dochert,	Arnprior	1st Mon.	W. S. Tearle	G. R. Clarke	44	2	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	42	1	—	2
249	Palestine,	Bowmanville	3rd Mon.	W. Teeple	H. G. Freeman	94	3	—	—	3	4	1	—	—	89	3	—	5
250	Thomas Peters,	Windsor	2nd Wed.	D. Cooper	W. Hockney	265	5	—	1	—	—	5	—	—	266	81	1	—
251	Kirkland,	Kirkland Lake	4th Wed.	Jas. Robb	A. W. Smith	132	4	—	—	3	—	3	—	—	130	13	—	2
252	Hiawatha,	Sarnia	1st Mon.	H. Bouck	H. Russell	175	2	2	—	1	5	6	—	—	167	28	—	8
253	Regal,	Port Dover	2nd Wed.	A. C. Lowe	E. S. Ford	90	5	—	—	4	—	1	—	—	90	6	—	—
254	Golden Star,	Dryden	3rd Mon.	G. Seed	J. H. Gibson	145	10	1	—	—	4	2	—	—	150	—	5	—
255	Tillsonburg,	Tillsonburg	3rd Tues.	C. Scott	G. Carson	100	9	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	107	—	7	—
257	Espanola,	Espanola	3rd Tues.	L. Peake	A. Higgins	87	5	2	—	2	—	2	—	—	90	3	3	—
258	Tyrian,	Stouffville	1st Thurs.	F. E. Warne	H. C. Coathup	29	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	—	1	—
259	Quetico,	Atikokan	2nd Mon.	W. H. Calder	E. I. Swanbergson	43	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	45	6	2	—
260	Centennial,	Streetsville	4th Mon.	W. D. Colliver	V. W. Newman	52	3	1	—	2	—	2	—	—	52	2	—	—
261	Sequin,	Parry Sound	1st Tues.	F. C. Powell	C. L. Hawkins	32	6	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	37	—	5	—
262	King David,	Burlington	4th Mon.	R. J. Cocks	J. E. Richardson	32	3	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	36	1	4	—
263	The Scarborough,	Scarborough	1st Tues.	H. F. Myers	R. A. Dunlop	40	60	7	—	1	—	1	—	—	105	—	65	—
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RESTORATIONS—1962

2—Alexander Taylor; 5—Frederick John Newman, Frederick John Seage; 8—John Richard Rea; 15—Esmond David Ferris White; 18—Lorimer Seymoure Schnare, Kenneth L. Lindsay, Terence L. McConnell; 29—Kevin Robert Besley; 65—Albert Harold Tarter; 74—Jack Burger; 80—Lloyd A. Johnston, Wm. E. Snyder; 81—Burt Collins Moore, George Fennel Hewbank; 88—Harold Grant French; 95—Arthur Herbert Cavanagh; 102—Charles Tupper Toombs; 145—Joseph Wm. Wallace; 150—Robert Ronald Roberts, Richard Peet; 169—John Melville Shouldice; 217—Robert R. Baynes; 226—Archibald Yuill; 250—John Muir Bow.

SUSPENSIONS—1962

1—Duncan W. Thomson, John W. Crowell, William Edward Lewers, Reginald Melhuish, Donald Roe, Keith McLaren Storie, Albert Seymour, Leonard H. Waplington, Earl C. Clark; 2—Earle Lindley Reid; 4—Charles Leonard White; 5—Norman Henry Ballingall, Norman Brown, Walter Derry Chonner, Alexander Colvin, Arthur Gerald Francis, John James Hewitt, Wm. Francis Horlor, James Alexander Lindsay, Leonard Charles Morris, Harold Pimblett, Cecil Claude Roberts, Alfred D. W. Tibbs; 7—William C. Pettit; 16—Harry A. McCleary, Howard A. Sullivan, Orval Smart, Eric Frederick Wolff, Gordon Earnshaw, Henry Robert Hook; 18—Clair Adams D. McPherson; 19—Alexander McCrorel Watson, Robert Ross, John Bowie; 20—William Albert Blank, Albert Wilson; 24—Howard Gilbert Clark, Russell Wm. Weseley Wilson; 27—Clarence Cecil Lockhart, George Henry D'Arcy Windsor, Richard Sidney Grant Gooday, Merle Jones, William Race; 29—Kenneth Dunham, Frederic C. Donovan, Oliver Cox Pemberton, Donald F. Garbutt; 31—Carmen Farr Scott, Andrew Miller Palmatier; 37—Dennis Edward DeRivers, Ernest Simpson, Walford Cecil Vick; 41—Alfred Walling LeFaive, William Bruce Miller; 46—Orland Wilberley Mitten, Charles Roberts, John Hewson; 56—Laurie Bowman, Richard Smith; 59—Kenneth W. Roode, Douglas Ingram Wright, John Baldwin Hughson, Plinny Darwin Stata, Cyril Wm. Mallory, John Nuttall, John Lewis Cooper, Charles Brock Head; 61—John F. James; 62—Hugh D. Summers; 64—Harry James Harrison, Clifford E. Johnson; 65—William Everett Kerr; 69—John Edmund Girvan; 71—William George Hughes, Clarence Flood, Gerret Jan Jeths, Currie McLean, Roy Louis Barnes, Wm. G. Gilbert, Louis Cunningham, Alexander Gillies Gemmell, Alfred H. Stevenson, Hilton Frederick Mickle, John White Ramsey, Admiral Lee Douey, Merwin Milton Thistle; 75—George Irving Gibson, Henry Edward Church, Roy B. Turner, Thomas Batley Bullock, James Bell, John Bell, George Armstrong Griffith, Charles James Ward, Donald F. Deakin; 76—Alfred Cyril Pratt; 77—Harold James Barton, Percy W. Boyd, James Eardley Briggs, Arthur L. Brookes, Geo. H. Buscombe, Leonard Charles Dix, Joseph Allan Gluch, James Beverley Reid, James Shook, Robert Leslie Irvine, Austin Jacklin; 78—William G. S. Fraser, Joel Emerson Burney, Morley Kitely, Chas. Jesse Blake; 80—Harvey J. Miller, William T. Dennis, James M. Scott, Robt. Dunlop, Samuel Thompson, Jack M. Slote, William H. Silk, Frank Rauket, Norman Frederick Edgeworth; 81—Donald Wesley East; 82—Wilfred Alexander Gray, John Anderson Best, William John Monteith, John William Arthur Monteith, William Wood; 83—Edward Garfield Faulkner; 88—David Boyle, Glynn Snary, Earl W. Rolston, C. Gordon Boylan; 91—John Edward Dowe, Jack R. Drew, Albert George Smart, Donald Whitehead; 103—Edwin Alcott Tilley, George Emerson McArthur; 112—George Edsel Hagerman, Melburn Hyslop, Malcolm Hugh Edwards; 119—Robert Hamilton Graham; 129—John Covenev; 130—John Clifford Sawyer; 135—John H. Morrison; 138—George Broughton Purcer, Bruce Warren Elford, Stephen Craig, Benjamin Henry Smith, John Henderson; 146—Warner Rockwell Collins; 148 — George Proudfoot, William John

Thompson, Clifton Campbell McKinnon, Melvin McRae, David McAllister Hyman; 149 — Joseph Beyak, Milton Hirst, Swen Swenson; 152—Jack Bernard Leighton, William Jordan; 155—Harvey Clayton; 161—Victor L. Neal, Orville Goodman, Donald Tanner, Geo. Wm. Davey, Roland Kenneth Frost, Joseph McCau; 168—Lorne Lindsay Watson, Fred Thomas Fry; 175—Ralph Osborne Cleworth, Charles Smith Massie, William Emlyn Davies, Leaton Siemon; 205—Albert Victor Foster, John Campbell, Wesley Lloyd Commodore, Henry Tutton; 212—Murray J. Steinberg; 214—Harold Pimblett, Elmer K. Swan, Lloyd Kimball, Donald Doan, Donald W. Matheson, Albert Roy Doan; 215—Frederick Turnbull, Roy William Pullon.... 217—Reginald Edward Austen, Herbert W. Morris, David Murray, Joseph W. McCullough; 218—Donald Downey, Donald Parsons; 222—James Godfrey Lipe, Robert C. Corbeil, James A. Coulos, Robert George Alfred Atkins, Herbert James Gill, Lawrence Miller, Howard George McCue, Joseph Smellie; 224—George H. Campbell, John Allan McQuarrie, John Lillycrop, Charles J. M. Cassen, Robert Lloyd Blakely, John Bryan Thomas Ritson, David Edward Brooker, Thomas Crawford, John Franklin Ireland; 227—Gideon MacArthur Hill, John Morley Bleekman, Henry James Brown; 230—William Bayliss, Stanley S. Thomson; 234—David Bowman; 235—Jack Strachan, Robert Andrews; 238—William Herman Ruskey, William Irwin, Chas. William Arrand, Edward F. Homer, John Arthur Smith, John Williams, Sylvester Alexander Snedden, Gordon Harold Vail, Harry George Reyce; 240—Arthur Hill; 241—Russell Henry Watson, Leonard Darius Sproul; 243—Ernest Ward Cross, Robt. Ernest Restall, William McLean Lamb, Thomas Edward Blackburn; 245—Walter Howard Renwick; 246— Gysbut Van Esterick, Albert John Sidders, Arthur Henry McEwan, James Allingham, George W. Anderson, Hubert Moffatt, Thomas Blair; 248—Dewey Ligouri McKerracher, Albert David Claman, Melvin Harold Ferguson; 249—Richard Douglas Anger, Charles William Carter, David Vernon H. Gibson, Edwin Orrin Webster; 252—Wilson Victor Almore, Beverley Robert Galloway, Christopher Clarence Stomos, Leon Foster Brown, Fred Daniel Chappell; 254—Henry W. Auchterlouie, David W. Davies, Daniel Walstrom, James Vaughan Downey.

DEMITS—1962

1—Frank G. Edwards, Leonard Jolly, M. Victor Buffman; 2—Harry Parker; 3—David Caldwell Millar, Thomas Alexander Prentice; 4—Ansel Nix, James D. Sherwood, Albert Ling, Eli Robert Craddock; 5—Frederick John Newman; 6—Owen Noel Pallot, Thomas Mair; 7—William B. Beattie; 16—Charles Bersford Court, Homer G. Cross, Geo. Hiram Nelson, John Campbell Wyatt, George D. Vlassis, Robt. Edward Radmore, Gordon C. D. Clark; 18—McDonald Farrington McIntosh, John Jackson, Howard Allan Butler, Geo. Cartwright, Everett Chas. Calverley, George Linell; 19—Arthur James Coyne, Joseph Rex Deloney, Roland Stocks, Ernest Lloyd Snyder; 20—Wilfred Gladstone Hart, (Rev.) Stephen John Pike; 22—James Edward Schlichter, Victor Foley; 23—Thos. Charles Joslin, William George Smith; 24—Edward Brigham Burnett; 27—Lorne Aubrey Wallers, Lawrence Swain Smith, Robert Norman MacDairmid; 30—Marvyn Franklin Gard, Frank Riley, Jack Burns Jerry; 31—Millard Franklin Hawkins, Arthur G. Archard, W. Philip Newton, Thomas G. Bowerman; 34—James Poppleton, Wilfred Knowles Lefry; 35—Wm. Clarence Town, Walter Percy Neale, William Franklin Baker; 36—Francis Leonard Erskine, Arthur Cyril Davis; 37—William Baker; 40—Nelson Thomas Adair; 41—Joseph Albert Watmough; 44—John Stanley Haggerty; 47—Rodger Wanless Stevenson, Omer Cecil Johnston; 48—Frederick Robert Drewry, Wm. Norman McLeod, Harold Keith Caldwell; 53—Larry A. McIlwraith; 56—Alvin Lyle Casselman, John Ellwood Lemon; 59—Owen R. Davis, Arthur Peake, Allan R. Everetts; 62—Andrew Ray-

mond Carnie, Charles E. Kramer, Alexander Walker; 63—Matthew James McCreight; 64—Drummond Armstrong, Roy Albert Gram, Richard John Thomas, Charles Robert Wells, Howard Leslie Rouse, William Robt. Roy Yager; 65—Albert Harold Tarter; 67—Wesley E. Tuer; 71—Harry Partington, Alfred Robt. Jackson, Ormond Hamilton; 74—Charles Olmsted, Alfred Ellis, William F. Conkey; 75—Francis W. McMaster; 77—Robert Holdham, William Thomas Rescorl, Kenneth Donald Ainsworth, William King, Harry James Cumming; 79—James Ferguson Gillanders; 80—Charles Henry Gaut, Harold Ripley; 81—O. Ford Niebergall, Wilfred Chute, Gordon William Kydd; 82—James Barclay, Henry James Walker, Donald L. Bylund; 83—Hugh John MacDonald, Alexander Brocklebank, Lyle Lowrey Campbell; 88—John B. McKerracher, Vernon Nurse; 90—Olaf W. Pearson; 91—Charles Grace Litherland; 94—John Rettie; 95—John George Gutcher, John Simpson; 103—John Smorthwaite, Peter Nemis; 104—Gordon Kenneth Gerrie, John Taylor; 112—Irvine Harold Payne, Alfred S. Deeks, Ralph John Schwerdfegar; 113—Kenneth Charles Comyns, Andrew Hosie, John Martin Pottie, Thomas Rodger Woods; 114—Clarence Everton Tysick; 115—Irving Goldstein; 116—Edward Merrill Houston; 119—Garth Allan Brown, Bobby Allan Lynn; 129—John Paris; 131—Howard Gibb; 134—Geo. Willis, Charles Alex Galloway, Robert Ralph Chambers; 135—Frederick Vincent Collingwood; 138—Perley Clemont Young, Walter George Everingham, Frederick John Breeze, Simeon Barrett; 143—George Argue Greer; 145—Leslie John Ellis, Thomas C. Mottram, Jack Colbourne Hollands, Walter Charles Hubbert, James Fairlie, Thomas Gubb, Charles Carson Teskey, Harold A. Bonter, George Johnstone, William George Ringham, Elijah Green, Frank Morton, John Henry Eastwood, John D. Bates; 149—Allan John McKenzie; 151—Clarence Leach, William John Rabichaud; 152—Benjamin Ephraim Morrison; 168—Ellis E. Darling; 175—George Richard Devey Farmer, Orlan Guy Wickerson; 195—William Eric Windridge; 198—William Hayes; 205—St. Clair Hurlbut, Gordon John Wilson, Richard James; 213—Roy Wilfred French. Lauchlove McDougall, Douglas Charles Austin; 214—John A. McLean, Gordon Swan; 215—James Brown Clelland; 217—Phillip Newton Brown, Reuben Johnson; 220—John William Faubert; 221—Gordon Thomas Greenwood; 222—Bernard Lawrence Gray, Ludovic Raiche, George LeGras Bott, Edward Parkinson, Wilfred Alexander Sauve; 223—Carman Christie, Percy Nicholls; 224—Howard Arthur Cope, Gregory M. Friend; 225—William Edward Forbes; 226—James Edward Warren; 231—Arthur Settle; 233—William Auchterlonie, Douglas Graham, William E. Davis, John Alexander; 234—Wilbert Bradley; 235—Frank W. Teasdale; 238—Victor Albert Hamp, George Albert Booth; 240—John Benson McMillen; 241—Manuel Esco; 246—Mervyn Arthur Rotz, Harold Wadsley Mould; 247—Henry Daniel Small, Reginald Pring, James Edwin Spellet, William Franklin Hudson, John A. Hills; 248—Sidney Henry George Connoch; 249—Dudley Deeley, Owen Nicholas, James Ross Reynolds; 251—James Ainsley, Joseph Scott, Andrew Michail Johnson; 252—John Ada McDonald; 253—Charles Clifford Long, James Ernest Murphy, Jack Burgess Quanbury, Roland Bethel Waddle; 255—Charles Fotheringham; 257—Jack Francis McCallum, Verner Justaf Thorne; 260—Victor J. Ives, Bruce Francis Russell; 263—Edward Arthur Frost.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 1

R. Ex. Comp. Fred Yardley, 57 Baxter Street, Chatham, Ont.

47. Wellington	Chatham	119. King Cyrus	Leamington
71. Prince of Wales	Amherstburg	153. Sombra	Wallaceburg
73. Erie	Ridgetown	164. Lorne	West Lorne
80. Ark	Windsor	239. Blenheim	Blenheim
88. MacNabb	Dresden	250. Thomas Peters	Windsor

LONDON DISTRICT No. 2

R. Ex. Comp. A. James Facer, 322 Wellington St., Sarnia, Ont.

3. St. John's ..... London
5. St. George's ..... London
15. Wawanosh ..... Sarnia
53. Bruce ..... Petrolia
54. Palestine ..... St. Thomas
74. Beaver ..... Strathroy
78. Minnewawa ..... Parkhill
81. Aylmer ..... Aylmer
150. London ..... London
214. Vimy ..... Inwood
238. The St. Andrew ..... London
242. St. Paul's ..... Lambeth
247. Nilestown ..... Nilestown
252. Hiawatha ..... Sarnia

WILSON DISTRICT No. 3

R. Ex. Comp. Chas. Herbert Swatridge, R.R. No. 2, Courtland, Ont.

18. Oxford ..... Woodstock
20. Mount Horeb ..... Brantford
23. Ezra ..... Simcoe
41. Harris ..... Ingersoll
115. Brant ..... Paris
253. Regal ..... Port Dover
255. Tillsonburg ..... Tillsonburg

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 4

R. Ex. Comp. John Newing Edwards, Marle Lake, Hanover, Ont.

32. Waterloo ..... Galt
40. Guelph ..... Guelph
67. Enterprise ..... Palmerston
83. Ionic ..... Orangeville
117. Kitchener ..... Kitchener
218. Prince Edward ..... Shelburne
221. Durham ..... Durham
234. Halton ..... Georgetown
245. Preston ..... Preston

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 5

R. Ex. Comp. Clifford Geo. Lewington, 336 Pearl St., Box 433, Milton, Ont.

2. The Hiram ..... Hamilton
6. St. John's ..... Hamilton
75. St. Clair ..... Milton
104. White Oak ..... Oakville
155. Ancaster ..... Ancaster
175. The Hamilton ..... Hamilton
224. Keystone ..... Hamilton
236. Caledonia ..... Caledonia
243. McKay ..... Stoney Creek
262. King David ..... Burlington

HURON DISTRICT No. 6

R. Ex. Comp. William Henry Reed, 160 Water St., Stratford, Ont.

24. Tecumseh ..... Stratford
30. Huron ..... Goderich
46. St. James ..... St. Marys
63. Havelock ..... Kincardine
66. The Malloch ..... Seaforth
84. Lebanon ..... Wingham
129. Elliot ..... Mitchell
130. Chantry ..... Southampton
146. Bernard ..... Listowel
147. Lucknow ..... Lucknow

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 7

R. Ex. Comp. Norman Farrington, Niagara Parkway, Queenston, Ont.

19. Mount Moriah ..... St. Catharines
29. McCallum ..... Dunnville
55. Niagara ..... Niagara-on-the-Lake
57. King Hiram ..... Port Colborne
64. Wilson ..... Welland
69. Grimsby ..... Grimsby
76. Mount Nebo ..... Niagara Falls
184. Hugh Murray ..... Fort Erie N.
240. Smithville ..... Smithville

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 8

R. Ex. Comp. Ernest William Bath, 80 Waverley Rd., Toronto 8, Ont.

4. St. Andrew&St. John ..... Toronto
8. King Solomon ..... Toronto
62. York ..... Toronto
65. St. Paul's ..... Toronto
79. Orient ..... Toronto
135. Succoth ..... Uxbridge
145. The St. Patrick ..... Toronto
163. The Beaches ..... Toronto
205. Victoria ..... Thornhill
217. St. Alban's ..... Toronto
225. Beaver ..... Toronto
235. Aurora ..... Aurora
241. University ..... Toronto
258. Tyrian ..... Stouffville
263. The Scarborough ..... Scarborough

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 8A

R. Ex. Comp. Henry Walter Clark, 91 Sheppard Ave. E., Willowdale, Ont.

77. Occident ..... Toronto
91. Toronto-Antiquity ..... Toronto
138. Shekinah ..... Toronto
195. Peel ..... Brampton
212. Mount Sinai ..... Toronto
215. Mimico ..... Mimico
219. Ulster ..... Toronto
220. Lebanon ..... Lambton Mills
230. Port Credit ..... Port Credit
231. The St. Clair ..... Toronto
232. King Cyrus ..... Toronto
233. Oakwood ..... Toronto
246. Humber ..... Weston
260. Centennial ..... Streetsville

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9

R. Ex. Comp. Burton Mansell Conron, 537 Hurontario St., Collingwood,

27. Manitou ..... Collingwood
34. Signet ..... Barrie
56. Georgian ..... Owen Sound
131. Amabel ..... Wiarton
167. Kichikewana ..... Midland
198. Couchiching ..... Orillia
261. Sequin ..... Parry Sound

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 10

R. Ex. Comp. Arthur George Coppin, 227 Arthur St., Oshawa, Ont.

28. Pentalpha ..... Oshawa
35. Keystone ..... Whitby
36. Corinthian ..... Peterborough
37. Victoria ..... Port Hope
45. Excelsior ..... Colborne
48. St. John's ..... Cobourg
94. Midland ..... Lindsay
110. Warkworth ..... Warkworth
134. King Darius ..... Cannington
168. Ionic ..... Campbellford
249. Palestine ..... Bowmanville

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 11

R. Ex. Comp. Lorne Edward Vaughan, 315 Bleecker Ave., Belleville, Ont.

7. The Moira ..... Belleville
26. St. Mark's ..... Trenton
31. Prince Edward ..... Picton
44. Mount Sinai ..... Napanee
72. Keystone ..... Stirling
144. Presqu'ile ..... Brighton
161. Madoc ..... Madoc
227. Quinte Friendship ..... Belleville

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 12

R. Ex. Comp. Wm. Harold Gummer, 242 Westdale Ave., Kingston, Ont.

1. Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui ..... Kingston
22. Grenville ..... Prescott
59. Sussex-St. Lawrence ..... Brockville
68. Maitland ..... Kemptville
112. St. John's ..... Morrisburg
113. Covenant ..... Cornwall
132. Leeds ..... Gananoque

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 13

R. Ex. Comp. Wm. Cecil Carson, 250 Iona St., Ottawa 3, Ont.

16. Carleton ..... Ottawa
61. Granite ..... Almonte
114. Bonnechere ..... Renfrew
116. Maple ..... Carleton Place
133. St. Francis ..... Smith Falls
143. Glengarry ..... Maxville
148. St. John's ..... Vankleek Hill
151. Laurentian ..... Pembroke
210. Kitchener ..... Russell
222. Ottawa ..... Ottawa
226. Prince of Wales ..... Perth
248. Dochert ..... Arnprior

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 14

R. Ex. Comp. Lambert John Oscar Sundin, 182 Pine Crescent, Box 1302, Atikokan, Ont.

82. Shuniah ..... Port Arthur
90. Golden ..... Kenora
140. Fort William ..... Fort William
149. Atwood ..... Rainy River
152. Alberton ..... Fort Frances
254. Golden Star ..... Dryden
259. Quetico ..... Atikokan

NEW ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 15

R. Ex. Comp. Wm. Brown Walker, 2031 Kingsway, R.R. No. 1, Sudbury

95. Tuscan ..... Sudbury
102. Algonquin ..... Sault Ste. Marie
103. St. John's ..... North Bay
257. Espanola ..... Espanola

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 16

R. Ex. Comp. Kenneth Griffin, Box 790, Teck Hughes Property, Kirkland Lake, Ont.

169. Temiskaming ....New Liskeard
213. Northern Lights .....Timmins
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251. Kirkland .....Kirkland Lake

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Annual Review of the Proceedings of Other Grand Chapters

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

It is my pleasure for the first time to present to Grand Chapter a review of more than fifty Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions in Royal Arch Masonry. This being my initial effort, may I ask that it be judged with Masonic charity, particularly bearing in mind as I do the marked contribution made in this Grand Chapter endeavour by my illustrious predecessors.

I have frequently been asked if these reviews or report of the Fraternal Correspondence is necessary or serves any useful purpose. I have always replied in the affirmative because I have gleaned and learned much as a result of my perusal and study of these reviews, but to have had an opportunity of making a study of the Proceedings from so many of our Sister Jurisdictions has been a most enlightening experience and not only strengthens this opinion but also gave me a feeling of a personal visitation with all of them.

One notices with great joy and admiration reference to so many outstanding Royal Arch Masons throughout the world who have contributed so much to their respective jurisdictions and to Royal Arch Masonry in general. Many of these illustrious Royal Arch Masons are personally known to your reviewer because of opportunities heretofor of visiting their respective jurisdictions and fraternizing with them.

However, while I have expressed a very fixed opinion regarding the value of the Review, yet I am constrained to say that it is not taken full advantage of by the companions in our constituent chapters. The fault for this, in my respectful opinion, is found at Chapter level, because in my judgment many companions would welcome an opportunity to gain knowledge and information if they were informed that Grand Chapter Proceedings could be obtained on loan from the Principals and Scribe E. of their respective chapters. I would, therefore, recommend that our Grand First Principal cause a directive to be issued to all constituent chapters, not only to advise that Grand Chapter Proceedings are available to all companions but also urging that full advantage be taken of the wealth of information which it contains, thereby rekindling interest and enthusiasm which, as a result of my review, in my judgment, has obviously been lacking in our Royal Craft for some time and has caused many leaders in all jurisdictions to become disturbed. Indeed, it is depressing to observe that the leaders in practically every jurisdiction have expressed concern because of the loss of membership, lack of leadership, difficulty in finding officers who are willing and able to undertake the work, ritualistic and administrative, in a capable and efficient manner, and what again is most serious seems to be the lack of solutions to these manifold problems.

I have found many stating that the situation is not isolated to any one branch of Masonic endeavour but surely we in the Royal Craft should obtain little comfort or solution from this well-established fact but, rather, stimulate our individual endeavours to bring about a period of rejuvenation and not, as we have apparently done for so long, rest on the laurels of the past and forget the great opportunities of a beckoning future.

It is more than obvious to your reviewer that we have not over the years listened and acted upon the exhortations of many of my illustrious predecessors. For instance, reading the Review by M.E. Comp. Colonel R. V. Conover, given in 1958, we find he then stated:

"The Craft has not strayed from its ancient principles. It is only the members who have faltered and strayed."

And later:

"Obviously if poor management is discovered a change would be indicated. Reports from many jurisdictions indicate a very low standard in the esoteric work. Replacement by keen enthusiastic competent First Principals and correspondingly, High Priests, who have demonstrated their ability to conduct all the affairs of the chapter in the highest and best manner and who in addition have shown their ability to confer all degrees in accordance with the ritual would be a first consideration. During the time an officer is serving in the line he should be under the closest scrutiny. The officer who falters in a junior office ought to be removed. Grand Chapter officers who are called upon to inspect must make honest reports and point out errors not only in the conferring of the degrees but also in management."

And finally:

"What our record has disclosed is increased suspensions and demits. The second century is before us. If the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada accepts its responsibility, the Royal Craft will go on and on to greater and greater service, to the glory of God and the welfare of His children. If it does not the future is bleak."

My review of 56 Proceedings from Sister Jurisdictions causes me to report that the conditions which prompted M.E. Comp. Conover to make such potent observations still exist in that of the Grand Chapter Proceedings I have reviewed 44 report a lessening of membership of 8,305, likewise a deep concern for the general condition of the Royal Craft, and only seven report a minimal gain of 336. The Grand Chapters of England, Ireland, Scotland, the Netherlands and the Mark Master Masons of England and Wales do not publicize membership statistics, although the reports indicate that these Grand Jurisdictions are flourishing.

Thus my review has caused me to become more than ordinarily disturbed because of what I have read and learned as I have studied the Proceedings given by so many Grand Jurisdictions, and one of the solutions to the present conditions may be found, I submit with profound respect, in the conclusion of my address to Grand Chapter at the time of our centenary convocation when I said:

"Thus, as we go our separate ways let us leave with a firm determination that, seeking the guidance of the Great Jehovah, we will rededicate ourselves to those great principles and tenets upon which this noble institution has withstood the vicissitudes of time and season, and resolve to make a more impressive and individual contribution in every phase of our activities, Masonic or otherwise, so that our priceless heritage, in an improved state, may be transmitted to the Companions of tomorrow."

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

MAURICE A. SEARLE, P.G.Z.

Alabama

The 135th Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Alabama was held at Tuscaloosa on February 12, 1962.

Chapters 48; U.D.I.; membership September 14, 1961—12,984; net loss 164.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Samuel F. Jackson Jr.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Gordon L. Evatt.

The G.H.P. in his address expressed concern for the state of the Craft in that he stated, in part:

"We have now shown a loss in the total number of members for two years consecutively. This is most disturbing, and I feel the handwriting on the wall should be for us to stop, look and listen. Let us stop and take time to analyze what is going on. After an analysis of the causes of the decrease, we can see wherein our work needs to receive more careful consideration. The report of the secretary to the Grand Secretary reveals that one of the greatest losses came about through deaths, over which we have no control; another, because of suspensions for non-payment of dues. Fewer applications to offset the loss caused by death and N.P.D. has caused the resulting total to show a loss. In this year we show a loss from suspension of 666, and if we had taken the interest we could very easily have cut that loss to at least half. This would have resulted in a small percentage gain for the year. I feel very strongly about this and believe that if we will continue to back the Royal Arch Mason Magazine and the committee on York Rite Public Relations we will be able to help curb the tide of N.P.D. The main reason for a member to become N.P.D. is that he has lost interest to the point that he will not take time to send in his dues, and also his companions have not the interest to call on him to see about him. This all calls for us to work together."

But later, in an optimistic tone, he said:

"It has been my experience over Alabama since our last Annual Convocation to find men willing and eager to learn more about Masonry. It now remains for us, as members of the Craft, to analyze our problems, qualify ourselves to meet them, and have the initiative and ambition to put forth some effort to teach and live Masonry, as well as the conferring of degrees. If we will cooperate with each other and work diligently, then I have no fear for future of Capitular Masonry in Alabama. . . . .

"The future of Capitular Masonary in Alabama, my Companions, lies hidden from mortal sight, but let us press forward with courage and hope, guided by wisdom, propelled by strength and adorned with beauty, and let the Angels of Light, Faith, Truth and Brotherly Love guide our way."

The Committee on Masonry and American Citizenship made what I believe to be a most potent observation when it stated, and I quote in part:

"We are but heirs to the past—heirs to the rights and privileges obtained through the tireless labors and sacrifices of those great Masons and great Americans who have gone before us. Masonry and American Citizenship complement each other and have marched side by side since the foundation of this nation.

"By the same token, we are trustees of the future. Whether our children and our children's children live under the banner of Freedom or wear the yoke of political and economic slavery depends upon how well we discharge our stewardship. Idleness, apathy, complacency and lethargy could destroy us.

"Your committee is strong in the belief that we should zealously guard that stewardship; that mere lip service is not enough; that unified action is not only necessary but it is imperative; that we should dedicate ourselves as a body to the proposition that the magnificent efforts of our forefathers shall not have been in vain, and act accordingly."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. D. Shelly Vaughn.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Gordon L. Evatt.

Alberta

The 48th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta was held at Calgary on May 9, 1962.

Chapters 31; membership December 31, 1961—3,894; increase 58.

Grand First Principal—M.E. Comp. L. B. McCoomb.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. F. J. Hand.

Many distinguished guests were received, including M.W. Bro. M. G. Merner, the Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. E. H. Rivers, Grand Secretary.

The Grand First Principal reported:

"During my visits to the many Chapters I have addressed the Companions on various subjects, principally lack of attendance. I feel some headway on that score has been made of late. I stressed also my own belief that work should be allotted, as much as possible, to those Companions who are attending the Regular Convocations. Further, that we should endeavour to thoroughly instruct all candidates in the work of each of the several degrees. I have urged the principal officers to be on the alert for men who are naturally good organizers. There are many such men sitting on the sidelines, and I firmly believe if they are asked to assist in the work it will mutually benefit the man and the Chapter."

The report on "Conditions of Capitular Masonry" also made the following observation of significance:

"It is also noted that approximately one-half of the total membership (1,902) are members of the seven Chapters in our two major cities and that these seven Chapters have an average membership per Chapter of 272.

"In view of the fact that the records of this and many other jurisdictions clearly indicate a closer bond of fellowship among the Companions of the smaller Chapters and generally speaking a far better record of average attendance percentagewise than in the larger Chapters in spite of greater distances in many cases for country members to travel, we should be wise to consider carefully wether in the largest cities we would not be wise to think rather of encouraging the chartering of new Chapters rather than to continue piling up membership in the present Chapter, some of which may have already exceeded the optimum of members. What is the optimum? It is difficult, perhaps impossible, to lay down a definite number, but if we frequently at our meetings see fellow members who are not known to us, whose name we cannot remember, then we should certainly give some consideration to the situation.

"It is suggested that in addition to our need to found and encourage new Chapters in some of the vacant areas in the countryside, notably north of the Peace River, and within fifty miles, both north and south of Edmonton, we should also consider the need for new Chapters in both Edmonton and Calgary. Thirty-five years ago Edmonton had four healthy and vigorous Chapters, since then the population of the city has nearly tripled, but today the Royal Arch Masons are gathered into three Chapters only. Surely nearly 800 members would be ample to support five or six Chapters, with twice as many of these Companions as at present

actively working the degrees to say nothing of the fact that the Companions of two or three new Chapters would in all probability be a great stimulus to bringing the total number of Companions in this one city from 800 up to the neighborhood of 1,000 in two or three years."

The Grand Treasurer reported cash on hand and in bank a total of $3,651.52.

Election:

Grand First Principal: M.E. Comp. Norman Scheer.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. Fred Hand.

Arizona

The 72nd Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Arizona was held at Yuma on October 23, 1962.

Chapters 15; U.D. 1; membership December 31, 1961—1,972; loss 9.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. J. Earl Smith.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Joseph A. E. Ivey.

The welcome extended by the G.H.P. in his address is most worthy of note and I quote:

"To those who are here for the first time, let me say that each and everyone of you is heartily welcome. It is your right as a Companion to speak on any subject which is presented. I also urge the delegates to listen carefully to the business of the Grand Chapter and to vote as your best judgment dictates. Join with us in our periods of rest and refreshment and in our lighter moments so that you may meet more informally the visitors from other places. Exchange views with them about our Rite. Make friends as you can while here so that you may receive increased knowledge and also perhaps be enriched with life-long friendship."

And finally:

"In conclusion, may I say that I am deeply grateful to those who have made this year possible for me. It has been a star-studded year and the brightest of these stars has been the friendliness, courtesy and consideration shown to me wherever I went.

"Finally, let me say that if the ever widening circles which radiate from the tiny pebble I have dropped into the vast sea of Masonry has carried some measure of help or comfort to any individual Companion or Constituent Body I am more than repaid for the time and effort involved in the pleasurable task of being your Grand High Priest."

This Grand Chapter received a report from a special committee and its objective is worthy of the highest commendation. The report is too lengthy to quote in its entirety but the following excerpts should be of interest:

"Section 22 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Arizona states the following in regards to the Royal Arch Objectives Fund:

For each Royal Arch Mason borne upon its roll at the date of its annual return, each chapter shall pay the sum of $1.50, fifty cents of which is to be credited to a special fund known as the Royal Arch Objectives Fund . . .

In view of the above your committee recommends the following:

1. That the Royal Arch Objectives Fund be used to finance college education by the lending to deserving students funds to obtain a higher education at an approved college.

2. That the Royal Arch Objectives Committee, with the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer as ex-officio members, be the committee to process said loans.

3. That the R.A.O. Fund Committee be governed by the following in its capacity as lender of the R.A.O. funds:

"The selection of students to whom loans may be made and of the educational institutions to be attended shall rest with the Royal Arch Objectives Fund Committee; however, students must be residents of the State of Arizona.

"Loans may be granted for vocational, professional training, advanced degree or post-graduate work upon written approval of the majority of the committee.

"The maximum loan will be:

$1,000 when one scholastic year is required to complete the course.

$500 per year when two scholastic years are required to complete the course.

$500.00 each of last two years when three or four years are required to complete the course.

"The maximum of loans to any one student shall not exceed $1,000. No deviation from this amount will be permitted without the approval of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Arizona.

"Student loanees are only human, therefore they must not be permitted to forget their obligations to this fund.

"Being young and inexperienced in the way of business or life's responsibilities, great care must be exercised in promptly securing their confidence and cooperation, at the same time ethically putting into effect with firmness every principle of honor and integrity. It is necessary to impress upon the loanees:

1. The committee's interest and willingness to cooperate.

2. The committee's desire for confidence.

3. Their moral obligation to those that follow and the important part they play in the functioning and future welfare of the fund."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Elvie B. Jolley.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Joseph A. E. Ivey.

Arkansas

The 113th Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Arkansas was held February 26, 1962.

Chapters 55 and 1 operating under dispensation; membership December 31, 1961—8,289; net loss 223.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Leahmond W. Williams.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. C. D. Hill.

It is again significant to observe the Grand High Priest reporting:

". . . As those of you who were present recall, the present High Priests and Kings were asked to stand and the hastily thought up objective of most importance was told them and the District Deputies were told their duties. I told them it would take help from all of them to put the year's work where it should be. They all agreed.

"Now, Companions, I must say that somewhere along the line, even after letters and bulletins reminding them throughout the year, that some either forgot their promise or did not work at it, and I am sure that it is the latter. But let me assure you of this fact, all of you, that if this 'let John do it' attitude does not cease and we go to work and stop these suspensions, that the privilege we have of assembling here each year and making new friends and seeing the old will not be a reality. It will exist only as a dream."

Many distinguished guests from other jurisdictions were received, including M.W. Bro. Benjamin M. Butt, the Grand Master.

Some excerpts from the acceptance speech of the newly installed G.H.P. should be noted by all and acted upon:

"I am not one of those who can divert your attention by a magnetic personality. I cannot lull you into a semi-coma by the fluent flow of beautiful diction. None of these, Companions, can I do, but I can bring to you 'ONE OF THE GREATEST CHALLENGES OF ALL TIME,' a four-letter word, 'WORK,' work.

"I know of no substitution for hard work, nor do I even know a reasonable substitute for it. Only through hard work can things be accomplished. If you as officers of your Chapters will take this word as a TASK or CHALLENGE, then the job not only CAN but WILL be done.

"As I see it, we are searching for an excuse for the complacency of our Chapters. We have tried by comparison to justify our inner weakness. But after all is said and done we must face facts with facts. Companions, only by hard work can we restore the splendor of CAPITULAR MASONRY in Arkansas to its former glory. The Masonic fraternity as a whole is facing the greatest CHALLENGE it has ever had to face in America.

"Let us remember that Freemasonry is the biggest, the oldest and the strongest fraternal society in the world today. There is something about Freemasonry that you can't define. You know what it is, but it is almost impossible to explain it. It must touch your heart before you can find it. . .

"Another question has been asked from time to time, 'What is wrong with Masonry?' Companions, nothing is wrong with Masonry. The course of Masonry in the future is one straight line from where we stand today. Our aims and purposes today are exactly as they are until time is no more. If Masons of every age (ours included) yield to their temporal influences and change our ritual and usages to conform to our ever changing world our 'Ancient Craft Masonry' will lose much of its potent influence for good.

"And so the answer to the question, 'WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH THE FRATERNITY?' is that 'IT HAS CEASED TO BE FRATERNAL.' Companions, all these questions can be answered more easily by asking ourselves another question, 'WHAT IS WRONG WITH US?'"

"Companions, the place to practice Masonry is in the busy places of life where men meet each other in their daily affairs and where human

kindness, helpfulness and honesty are so much needed. Let your light so shine that Masonry will be enriched by your actions."

The Grand Treasurer reported total assets of $46,628.63.

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Jack B. Donham.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. C. D. Hill.

British Columbia

The 44th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia with jurisdiction over the Yukon Territory was held at Vancouver on June 20, 1962.

Two Emergent Convocations were held, one on July 29, 1961, at Richmond for the constitution of Simon Fraser Chapter No. 40, and the other at Roberts Creek on September 30, 1961, for the constitution of Georgian Chapter No. 39.

Chapters 40; membership December 31, 1961—5,564; net gain 107.

Grand First Principal: M.E. Comp. Earl V. Bell.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. Edgar B. Baker.

The Grand Z. in his address reported a very successful term of office but stressed the importance of the individual, as will be seen from the following:

"I would reiterate what I have tried to stress in my visits throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, that the well being and progress of each Chapter, and therefore of Grand Chapter, will be in direct proportion as the fervency and zeal of every Companion pertains. Make no mistake, the foundation of every institution is only as sound as the individuals of that institution make it. Progress doesn't just happen; it takes work, and lots of it. Thus every Companion should realize his duty to his own Chapter as well as to Grand Chapter. If every Companion is fervent in his duty to his own Chapter, as well as zealous in his efforts to promote the happiness of all men, then his Chapter will not only be on solid ground, but this Grand Chapter will be as a beacon to all other Grand Chapters. We shall then become known as a progressive Grand Chapter and will have proved our worth and have deserved the progress we have made. Again, Companions, I would stress that fervency and zeal be our watchwords."

And again:

"One last wish, Companions, and that is that today's deliberations will show to all other Grand Chapters and to the world in general that spirit of harmony and unanimity that is so essential to every well regulated institution."

This Grand Chapter is to be congratulated and commended for its work in the field of education in that it has a bursary fund originally started in 1955 by a grant of $7,000 from Grand Chapter funds and since 1960 by donations from Chapters and individuals. Two bursaries of $300 were awarded in 1961 to children of Companions and it is interesting to note that 13 applications were received by the bursary committee. The bursary income account shows a balance of $876.11, the bursary capital account $2,568.07, and bursary investments $15,000.

Election—

Grand First Principal: M.E. Comp. James St. E. Meiss.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. Edgar B. Baker.

Colorado

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado held its 87th Annual Convocation at Denver, on January 25, 1962.

Chapters 56; Membership January 24, 1962 7,103; Net loss 206.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Glenn B. Van Fleet.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Harry W. Bundy.

The G.H.P. in his address obviously recognized his responsibilities during his term of office as will be noted by the following excerpts:

"Your Grand High Priest has had three objectives this past year: To bring a greater Sense of Pride, in Royal Arch Masonry to the Officers and Companions of our Constituent Colorado Chapters; to determine whether our few 'dying' Chapters could be revived; and to incite the Custodians of the Work to complete their studies on revision of our Ritual, to make recommendations here for ONE Colorado ritual, and to make our decision today that we will have ONE Colorado Ritual hereafter—and what that Ritual shall be.

GREATER PRIDE IN ROYAL ARCH MASONRY

"In my official visitations to our Chapters I have given reasons why we should be proud of our Order. These I shall not reiterate here except to state that no Masonic body, with the exception of the three degrees of Craft Masonry, has greater reason for pride in their Masonic ancestry. We trace our degree work directly to the beginnings of our Ancient Craft. Our degrees are not merely explanatory of the first three degrees, they complete the first three when properly conferred. No Masonic degrees are more beautiful, more meaningful, or more necessary to a Master Mason's education than those to be found in our Royal Arch. In order to bring a sense of pride to our Companions, I also attempted to make the Master Masons of Colorado more conscious of the existence of our Royal Arch organization.

"Perhaps my methods were unorthodox and, as such, might not be approved by some of our York Rite brothers. There are over fifteen thousand Scottish Rite members in Colorado and only seven thousand in the Royal Arch. These Scottish Rite members have demonstrated that they not only have a desire for greater Masonic light and knowledge but, also, that they have the money to pay for it. Believing this to be true, I have attended reunions of three of our four Scottish Rite bodies. At each place I was introduced as Grand High Priest and, on occasion, have been invited to speak to the class to explain to them something about the Chapter.

"I wish to here publicly express my appreciation to the Sovereign Grand Inspector General for Colorado, and my friend of many years, C. Wheeler Barnes, for these opportunities to appear before Scottish Rite members. Whenever I was present at a Scottish Rite meeting he has introduced me as Grand High Priest.

"My Companions, I wince when I hear a Mason of either Rite speak in an uncomplimentary manner about another Masonic Rite. Remember 'United we stand, divided we fall!'

"During this past year we celebrated the one hundredth Anniversary of Masonry in Colorado. Your Grand High Priest was privileged to speak on behalf of the York Rite at the Special Communication of the Grand Lodge on September 16, 1961. I thank the Grand Master, Leon H. Snyder for this kind invitation.

"This is our day of decision. We cannot continue with the confusion of tongues now prevalent in Royal Arch Masonry in Colorado. Not only is our Grand Lecturer, and his District Lecturers, unable to properly instruct the Chapter Officers in the Ritual, but many Chapters find it impossible to influence their Companions to become officers because of the required memorizing of interminable degree work. Also, if an officer accepts a station, he now is unlikely to memorize the work now used in his particular Chapter. He does not know whether he will have to later memorize new work, since all Chapters have been advised that only one Colorado ritual will be authorized after this Convocation. I do not know how long this Convocation might require, because of the necessity of deciding on ONE ritual today, but it is the intention of this Grand High Priest that this demanding question shall be decided before the 87th Annual Convocation is closed."

This Grand Chapter has a Committee on Fraternal Correspondence and its report is most revealing, some portions of which I quote:

". . . The factor of death is beyond human control, and is governed, I suspect, by a certain mathematical proportion to the number of exaltations of an undetermined year or small group of years previous.

"On the other hand the loss by suspension is a human factor and controllable. Almost every Grand High Priest in his report decries this factor, and rightly so. Here is found one of the failures of the Order. Suspension for non-payment of dues derives from economic or personal reasons, and each case is individual. Careful examination should be made to determine whether the exercise of fraternal charity in the form of remission of dues is warranted.

"But in the majority of cases the fault is that of the Chapter, for the Companion is lost because, first, he has not found that for which he has been seeking, or second, he is persuaded that he does not receive sufficient value from his expenditures of money and time.

"Grand High Priests are in agreement on one remedy for this problem: the taking of a personal interest by the Chapter in each of the delinquent companions. This will be most effective in the form of calls in person on him by his friends in the Chapter . . .

"By our ritual the lessons are expounded, the candidates instructed; on it we base our studies into ethics, or philosophy, or symbolism; without the ritual we have no reason for being. If we lack pride in our ritual we can have no pride in our Order.

"Steps taken to improve ritual work range from instruction (by schools, district lecturers or instructors, exemplification) to recognition (by certificates of proficiency and similar awards to restricting the work to appointed teams of qualified ritualists).

"Having encouraged good work and true work, the Grand Chapters next emphasize the necessity of 'selling' the value of Chapter Masonry to Masons of the Lodge. I must reiterate here that unless we have a product of which we can be proud this 'selling' inevitably must fail, leaving us in a worse condition than before . . .

"In such a state of flux in society as we have in the crisis of history today, men tend to turn their faces away from reality to drink the draft of Nepenthe and seek Nirvana in the pleasures of the moment. Because some of the truths of Today are frightful, they abandon the whole search for truth, which is the basis of Masonry. Here, I believe, can be found the reason why Capitular Masonry seems to be losing ground . . .

"And, my companions, I maintain that the need for that branch of Masonry known as the Chapter is also great; for the great aim of our Order is to encourage the belief in and reverence for the Supreme Being. This belief underlies essential humanity; with it we may live and grow and prosper; without it we are doomed and damned.

"It is our responsibility, our tremendous responsibility, to bring this belief and this faith to the brethren of the Lodge and eventually to the world. It is a heavy responsibility, and it is a responsibility in which we are failing, largely because we do not realize it, we do not understand it, we do not teach it by a proper exemplification of our ritual.

"It is the duty of each of us to realize this mission; it is the duty of each of us, from the Grand High Priest who presides in the East to the youngest companion who stands before him for instruction and inspiration, to dedicate ourselves to a belief in God and to an unalterable determination to spread this belief among our brethren and our people.

"If we so dedicate ourselves, if we so labor in the vineyards of Masonry and the world, our Order will become strong, and grow, and prosper; if we fail, all our efforts fail, and I answer not for the future of the Order, and of our Nation."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Norman F. Tripp.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Harry W. Bundy.

Connecticut

The 164th Annual Convocation of the M.E. Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut was held in the City of Hartford, May 19, 1962.

This Grand Chapter sustained a great loss in the death of its Grand High Priest, M.E. Comp. George E. Anderson, on September 21, 1961, and to it we extend our deep condolences.

Chapters 45; Membership April 15, 1962—9,639; Net loss 157.

Many distinguished guests from other Grand Jurisdictions, together with the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Ernest R. Dayton, were cordially received and honored.

The Deputy Grand High Priest, R.E. Laurence G. Farwell, in his report dwelt on and emphasized membership and stated in part:

"Once more we must report a net loss in total membership. Our Grand Secretary's report gives the detailed figures and the trend has not been reversed.

"The situation is not unique or peculiar to our Grand jurisdiction nor has any magic formula been brought forth.

"There are, however, certain basic steps which we will request be taken, particularly by Chapter officers.

"Read, reread, learn AND live up to the Charge of the Royal Arch Degree, especially in the selection of new officers.

"Zealously strive for more Masonry in Men rather than more Men in Masonry. Numbers alone are but temporary—examine the losses by demit and N.P.D.

"Perfect the degree work—do a meaningful exemplification for all—and close early.

"Set as a first goal that each and every Symbolic Lodge officer in your local jurisdiction be qualified by Capitular degrees. Otherwise he is not fully capable of doing his work . . .

"We recommend competent degree work, active solicitation of candidates, broad activities and good hard work at the individual level as the basis for sound progress so vital to our welfare."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Laurence G. Farwell.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Bliss W. Clark.

Delaware

The 94th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Delaware was held in Wilmington, January 20, 1962.

Chapters 5; membership January, 1962—1,045; net loss 10.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Raymond A. Howard.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Alfred H. Coe.

The Address of the Grand High Priest indicates that he had enjoyed a busy term of office and put forth great efforts to stimulate interest in Royal Arch Masonry in his jurisdiction, and under the heading "Condition of the Rite" stated:

"During the past year I was greatly pleased and gratified by the improvement in interest and attendance. The Officers of the various Chapters are to be especially commended for the improvement in, and excellence of their degree work. For this I believe much credit should be given to the Grand Lecturers."

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance of $2,682.48 as of January 20, 1962.

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Powell E. Craig.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Raymond A. Howard.

District of Columbia

The 95th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia was held at Washington, on February 10, 1962.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. John B. McCall.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Raymond N. Babcock.

The Grand Secretary reported 10 active chapters; membership Dec. 31, 1961—3,885; net loss 116; and stated:

"I am sorry to have to again report a loss of membership, which totaled 116, bringing our membership under 4,000, the first time since 1918."

The Grand Lecturer reported and I quote in part:

"The attendance at Chapter convocations shows no improvement and is still a problem. I have been present when several Chapters could not

function properly due to the fact that the required number of Companions, necessary to transact business, were not present.

"It would be nice to ignore the condition of the Craft in this jurisdiction because we are not fond of speaking of unpleasant or disappointing things, but the fact remains that our Chapters are sadly in need of assistance and encouragement. During the past several years there has been an increased lack of interest in Chapter affairs. I believe we are failing to live up to our obligations and responsibilities as Masons in all of the Masonic Bodies and the time is here when we should all ask ourselves this question, 'Where have I failed in Masonry?'

"It has been said, by a well-known Mason in this jurisdiction, that except for the activities of approximately 100 dedicated men, Masonry would probably die of neglect due to the passive interest of its members . . ."

The Grand High Priest in his address stated, in part:

"Losses in membership were again reported by each Chapter. But there were relatively few dropped for N.P.D. Because of the limited availability of potential members due to our small geographical area and the low percentage of eligible residents, we have every reason to expect that losses will continue for sometime.

"We have in this jurisdiction several Chapters that by intelligent and extensive planning of their convocations, and by letting the Companions know of their plans, have actually increased attendance. They are literally recreating among the Companions a desire to attend their Chapters and take part in the proceedings. I am sorry to say that some other Chapters appear to hold convocations simply because their By-laws require it. No planning, no interest creating programs and their attendance shows it.

"For several years the constituent Chapters have experienced difficulty in maintaining a full line of capable officers. The reluctance to accept positions in the official line may be due, in many cases, to the requirement imposed by the Grand Chapter Code that the High Priest elect must be qualified to confer all Capitular degrees before he can be installed. In other cases, the services of Companions, who are highly capable leaders and administrators but are poor ritualists, could be denied their respective Chapters. I do not believe that arbitrary adherence to this policy in view of present conditions is wise.

"The quality of degree work as performed by some of the Chapters of this jurisdiction has declined steadily during the past few years to the extent that the most generous rating that could be given is 'very poor'. This is in itself a major reason for poor attendance and for the non-return of new Companions."

Election—
Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Joseph C. Richmond.
Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Raymond N. Babcock.

England

The Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England held Regular Convocations at Freemasons' Hall, London, on February 14th and April 26, 1962, with M.E. Comp. Rt. Hon. The Earl of Scarbrough, K.G., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., T.D., First Grand Principal, presiding.

One observes the continued great contribution being made by Sir George Boag, who is the President of the Committee of General Purposes.

Many will recall Sir George Boag who made a legion of friends when he represented the First Grand Principal and his Grand Chapter at our Centennial Convocation. Your Reviewer and his wife, when visiting London in August last, were honored by being dinner guests of Sir George at his home and it was indeed good to have been with him.

No statistics are published by this Supreme Grand Chapter but one observes a steady flow of Petitions for new chapters, which is an excellent barometer upon which to form an opinion that Royal Arch Masonry continues to flourish in the Supreme Grand Chapter of England. It is particularly interesting and informative study these applications and I quote two:

"From Companions Victor Louis Ronchetti, as Z., James George William Harris, as H., Albert Dawes, as J., and others, for a Chapter to be attached to the Cornucopia Lodge, No. 5648, to be called the Cornucopia Chapter, and to meet at the Abercorn Rooms, Liverpool Street, London."

"From Companions Ernest Henry Sims, as Z., John Barry-Taylor, as H., Douglas Gordon Bramley Hook, as J., and others for a Chapter to be attached to the Rhodes Centenary Lodge, No. 7215, to be called the Rhodes Centenary Chapter, and to meet at the Masonic Temple, Wilson Street, Bulawayo (Rhodesia).'

It is, I believe, important to observe the following portion of the petition: ". . . and others for a Chapter to be attached to . . ."—then the name of a Craft Lodge. All petitions are alike and consequently Chapters are tied to or attached to a Craft Lodge; thus it has a splendid initial reservoir of candidates and who undoubtedly become interested because of activities in the Craft Lodge and a resultant pride in membership which they would naturally infuse into the Chapter.

The following is also of interest:

INVESTITURE OF E. Comp. Major-General Sir ALAN ADAIR, Bt. C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O., M.C., D.L., P.G.S.N., AS PAST THIRD GRAND PRINCIPAL.

"The M.E. The First Grand Principal: Companions, before proceeding with the Annual Investiture, I have a special appointment to make, that of E. Comp. Sir Allan Adair, P.G.S.N., as Past Third Grand Principal. Sir Allan's work for the Craft as Assistant Grand Master is well known to you all, but it may not be so well known that he has on several occasions of emergency acted for me in the Installation of Grand Superintendents as well as of Provincial and District Grand Masters.

"It has become a long-standing tradition in Supreme Grand Chapter that the Third Grand Principal himself should be a distinguished Freemason in Holy Orders and I hope that it will be possible to maintain this tradition, but I do not see any reason why this should prevent the appointment to the past rank of one who has done, and will I trust continue for many years to do, such outstanding service to Masonry generally.

"I will therefore ask the Grand Director of Ceremonies to bring forward E. Comp. Major-General Sir Allan Adair, so that I may formally invest him in his new rank (Loud applause.)

"The Grand Director of Ceremonies (E. Comp. FRANK W. R. DOUGLAS, P.G.S.N.) conducted Major-General Sir Allan Adair to the dais to be invested in the rank of Past Third Grand Principal."

E. Comp. Sir Allan Adair will be remembered by many when he represented the United Grand Lodge of England at the Centennial Communication of our Grand Lodge.

The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Scarbrough continues to be the First Grand Principal and Ex. Comp. James W. Stubbs, the Grand Scribe E.

Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and the Dominions and Dependencies of the British Crown

Regular Quarterly Communications during the year 1962 were held at Freemasons' Hall, London, under the direction of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. The Rt. Hon. Lord Harris, M.C., V.L., who was first elected to this office in 1954, and was again so at the Quarterly meeting held on March 13, 1962. The following extract from the minutes of that meeting will, I believe, be interesting and informative:

"Whereupon the Grand Director of Ceremonies (R.W. Bro. H. D. STILL, P.G.W.), proclaimed:

"BE IT KNOWN that Most Worshipful Brother THE RIGHT HONOURABLE GEORGE ST. VINCENT, BARON HARRIS of Seringapatam and Mysore in the East Indies, and of Belmont in the County of Kent; upon whom has been conferred the Decoration of the Military Cross; a Knight of Justice in the Grand Priory in the British Realm of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem; formerly Captain in Her Majesty's Territorial Army; Bachelor of Arts of the University of Oxford; In the Commission of the Peace and Vice-Lieutenant for the County of Kent; Past Grand Warden in the United Fraternity of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England; Past Grand Scribe Nehemiah in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons; Grand Master, and Knight Grand Cross, in the Great Priory of the United Religious and Military Orders of the Temple, and of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta; Grand Inspector General 33°, and Inspector General for Kent, in the Antient and Accepted Rite; Past Provincial Grand Master for Kent, and Past Provincial Grand Master for Surrey, etc., etc., etc., etc.; has been elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales, and the Dominions and Dependencies of the British Crown; Whom may the Great Overseer of the Universe long preserve.

"The Most Worshipful Grand Master was saluted, under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies.

"M.W. GRAND MASTER: Brethren, I very much appreciate your great kindness in re-electing me your Grand Master for the ensuing year. As you have heard, I have held the office since 1954, and I feel that by this time you must be tired of me. (Cries of: 'No'.) I understand that the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland holds office for only four years. Some of you may remember that our Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, M.W. Brother the Right Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough, K.G., referred recently to this. You have done me the honour of electing me your Grand Master ever since 1954. I do appreciate that. As you know, this degree is very near to my heart, and I always feel that the degree is worthy of all the work that you can possibly put into it. During the ensuing year I will do my utmost to carry out my duties. I am certain that I can rely upon your support. I do thank you for the support that you gave me during the past year. I hope that the coming year will prove to be a very happy and successful one in the degree which we all have so very much at heart. (Applause.)"

The reports revealed that this Grand Jurisdiction of Masonry is healthy and flourishing, and the Grand Master reported at the September Quarterly Meeting:

"I am glad to say that Mark Masonry seems to be flourishing in all parts of the world and that interest in the Mark is increasing both in this country and overseas. Once more, I thank you, Brethren, for the very great support which you have always given me. (Applause.)"

It was the pleasure of your Reviewer and his wife, when on a visit to London in August, 1962, to meet the Grand Secretary of this Masonic Body, Rt. Wor. Bro. Lt. Col. J. W. Chitty, M.B.E., when we were guests of Sir George Boag at a dinner party given by him.

Florida

The 115th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida was held at Gainesville on May 16, 1962.

Chapters 47; Membership December 31, 1961—9,626; Net loss 28.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. James Andrew Winfield.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. John B. Phelps.

The Grand High Priest in his address stated in part:

"Companions, the past year 1961, was the first year since 1942 that your Grand Chapter has failed to show a gain in membership. Our net loss was 28 Companions, Suspensions for non-payment of dues were responsible for our failure to show a gain. Companions, our suspensions for non-payment of dues increased thirty-four percent in 1961 over 1960. Later, I will make a suggestion that I believe will reduce these suspensions . . .

"I feel that the following paragraph which I am quoting from the address of James Luther Jordan, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, which was delivered at the New Orleans Convocation is pertinent. I am taking the liberty of substituting the word, state, where 'Continent' was used, and one year, for 'Three Years'.

" 'Listen to me! You are the leadership of Royal Arch Masonry in this state. If it is to be revitalized, you are the fellows that will do it. If you do not do it, then it won't be done unless we have a lot of funerals and some younger and more dedicated men grab the falling torch and go out and do the job. Your generation and mine,—our generation—, seems likely to bear the reproach of history for having frittered away the heritage transmitted to us by dedicated fathers. I am not seeking your plaudits or applause. I am talking to you as frankly and as bluntly as I know how about the state of the Capitular Craft in this state. I have failed to enlist the aid of a sufficient number of you to carry the Royal banner to success. I can only pray that the more able successors who follow will gain and hold your support to the end that one year hence it will be a different story'."

RECOMMENDATIONS

"No. 1—Companions, if I were limited to but one recommendation for the betterment of the York Rite, it would be for every Companion to take an active interest in his Blue Lodge. I know that we have so many York Rite meeting nights that it is hard to find time for attending our Blue Lodges. But, who will probably secure a petition from a newly raised Master Mason for advancement in Masonry, the Masonic Brother

that he has observed in the Lodge on each night that he was receiving his degree; or the Brother that he has never seen attending Lodge? . . .

"No. 2—Payment of Dues. I recommend that every Subordinate Chapter incorporate within its bylaws, if it has not already done so, an Article similar to Article XIII of the Uniform Code of By-Laws and then live by it. This Article gives the Subordinate Chapters the power to start action for suspension for non-payment of dues on all Companions that are six months in arrears, in their dues. I know that most Chapters have the policy of carrying a member at least two years before suspending him for non-payment of dues. Companions, I believe that this is a mistake. It takes less money to pay one year's dues than it does two or three, and it should be easier to collect the one year's dues. It is my opinion, that we will have fewer suspensions for non-payment of dues, if we do not permit the Companions to get so deeply in debt. If the Companion has not paid his dues by December 27th, and has been notified as mentioned in Article XIII of the Uniform Code of By-Laws, let us suspend him. Other Masonic organizations operate successfully under this policy. Why can't we?"

He also referred to a paper given by Comp. Stephen Beach Dimond, entitled "An Aggressive Masonic Program Against Counter Influences," part of which I quote:

"The Masonic Digest, a California publication, says, 'There are not too many old men in Masonry, but there are too few young men coming into Masonry'. I am concerned about the life blood of my fraternity, about the shortage of young men petitioning for the degrees. Why this small percentage of young men? MASONRY HAS COMPETITION—The service and social clubs fill the needs of youth, with their aggressive programs of worthy community and charitable projects, into which are woven the strong strands of friendship and fellowship. Everyone wants to be on the winning team, even at the sacrifice of some moral values. My Companions, it pays to advertise. I know that my fraternity surpasses all these transitory things, but it must gird up its loins, then encompass everything touching on its members. My Companions, it pays to advertise . . .

"Nothing is more dreary or uninspiring, to the sideliner, than the recitation of previous meetings, the reading of communications, the paying of bills, the discussion of officers as to when and how to practice, and many other things that are necessary to the proper functioning of fraternal bodies. To the sideliner they are of no import. He comes for the fellowship and brotherly love, which he must grasp in the few minutes before the meeting is called to order, or at the coffee break, at its conclusion. Can we wonder, then, why attendance in Craft Masonry is only about 6½% of its membership? And we are following in its footsteps . . .

"The South Australian Freemason tells us. 'The world needs men who can be depended upon, who put others before themselves, and who are not afraid to stand up and be counted; those who are able to add something to the uplifting of political life, something to the brotherhood of social life, something to the practical efficiency of spiritual life. Then we shall have done mankind a service.'

"My Companions, the die is cast: shall we sit pensively by and reminisce of the days of yore? Shall we pat ourselves on the back because we have something too good for the world to know? No, by Companions, though the problems be weighty, we shall attack them with zeal and ardor. And proudly leave to our posterity the knowledge that we were

unafraid, forthright in our decisions, forthright in our actions. — But Life marches on . . .

"My Companions, the future impact of Masonry will depend more on its ability to amend to changes, than on any other factor."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Ray Henry Schmidt.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. John B. Phelps.

Georgia

The 140th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Georgia was held in Macon, April 18th and 19th, 1962.

Chapters 130; Membership December 31, 1961—27,434; Net loss 180.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Gordon Hice Gilbert.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. W. T. Bateman.

The Grand High Priest in his address reported, and I quote:

"The future is so closely related to the past and present that they must be considered in any plans for the future.

"As you will note from the statistical report of the past ten years, there has been a steady decline in the net gain and a steady increase in the number of suspensions until in these last two years there has been a loss. I set out, as I would have in a private business of my own, to try to find the reason. And this is what I found from personal observation in visiting 90% of the chapters.

1. Out of the hundred and thirty chapters, thirty to forty are simply not able to open and confer the degrees; fifty to sixty can by reading part of the Ritual to the candidates or with some outside help; and only thirty to forty can really do a proficient job.

2. With very few exceptions, the convocations are so dull and dead no one wants to attend unless degree work is being conferred—not even the officers. They had rather stay home and watch TV.

3. Masonic Bodies in many places have lost their identity in the community and in most have forfeited their places of leadership to dozens of civic clubs and other organizations which have sprung up in the last twenty or twenty-five years.

"What do we conclude from these findings? Simply this! In our rush for numbers we have been Majoring on a Minor. Let us think more about Who we get rather than How Many. Our rolls are cluttered with the names of those who are not Masons and have little or no regard for what we are trying to do in the hearts and lives of men. Too much of the seed we have sown has been sown on rocky ground and too little of the seed sown in fertile soil has been properly cultivated. This is aptly shown when suspensions almost equal exaltations. We are now reaping the harvest of the seed we have sown.

"What of the Future?

"Is there anything that we can about it? Certainly there is! Let us reevaluate the purposes of Masonry. What are its purposes?

1. Strengthen a man in his Moral and Spiritual responsibilities. (Duty to God and Man). Then let's confer the degrees in a manner that will emphasize those duties.

2. Strengthen in him the desire to maintain those personal freedoms that Masonry believes in and helped to establish in this country. (Duty to Country).

3. Encourage him to give expressions to the desire to help the needy and less fortunate — by giving him an opportunity through the leadership of our Masonic Bodies. (Duty to Neighbor)."

The Grand Treasurer reported Balance General Fund $36,472.13; Educational Fund $3,008.22; Reserve Fund $76,546.80, and in addition Bonds General Fund valued at $171,000.00 and Educational Fund $14,500.00.

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. E. Alton Rogers.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. W. T. Bateman.

Idaho

The 54th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Idaho was held at Boise, May 23 and 24, 1962.

Chapters 21; membership December 31, 1961—3,047; gain 1.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Edward S. Lenander.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Rolland R. Fletcher.

In his address the G.H.P. welcomed all present by saying:

"I welcome each and all of you to this fifty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Idaho. To you who are here for the first time, I extend a very special welcome and hope you will receive inspiration and knowledge in the deliberations of your Grand Chapter, ever remembering that the spirit of Freemasonry is the expression of the Divine will to make men better, to touch them with a new spirit of toleration, charity, brotherhood and harmony."

And later:

"I am pleased to report that our gain in membership is most modest. Our losses have been very high because of an exceptionally large death loss of seventy-two, suspensions for non-payment of dues of fifty and twenty-five demits. we can be thankful our gain is ONE. We have exalted one hundred and twenty-five Companions, affiliated eleven, reinstated thirteen. Our membership at the end of 1960 was 3,046; on December 31, 1961, 3,047.

"All Chapters except one have exalted candidates this past year. Mountain Home Chapter No. 24 is to be congratulated by having exalted thirty candidates.

"I am confident that Capitular Masonry in Idaho is on a firm and solid foundation. The Companions are enthusiastic and their work in conferring the degrees is outstanding."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. John P. Halliwell Jr.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Rolland R. Fletcher

Illinois

The 113th Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois was held at Chicago May 18 and 19, 1962.

Chartered Chapters 181; vacant 108; membership December 31, 1961 —30,523; net loss 1,032.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Robert M. Diebold.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Lyle R. Melvin.

The Grand High Priest in his address made some reference to the time-consuming demands in order to discharge the responsibilities of his high and important office in that he stated in part:

"In order to adequately represent our Grand Chapter within and outside of Illinois I found it necessary to travel almost 20,000 miles by automobile, about 8,000 miles by air and about 1,700 miles by rail. I give you these statistics only as a means of evaluating the scope of my activities during my term. This travelling brought Grand Chapter to many Chapters who otherwise would have no contact with the Grand High Priest or other Grand Officers."

All will, I feel, be interested to read part of an address given by Bro. Clarence P. Schwartz, representing M.W. Bro. and Comp. Harold D. Ross, Grand Master of Illinois, and I quote:

"I am sure that most of you have already found out that our Grand Master has scheduled a conference during the month of August and that the name of the conference will be Masonic Unity and that the leaders of all the appendant bodies, those who predicate their membership on things in the Masonic fraternity, will be invited and already have been, I am sure, to sit around a table and discuss Masonry in all of its phases.

"The time has long passed, if it ever did exist, that the different organizations in the vineyards of Masonry could go about their separate ways and enjoy success and flourish.

"In this vast moving age, atomic age, jet age, it is necessary that we channel all of our efforts in one direction and that is unity and, therefore, I am sure that much good will come out of the conference as scheduled by our Grand Masters. I would also like to say to you that your elective Grand Officers in the Grand Lodge have all committed themselves to this progressive type of thinking.

"We are now proposing to do some things that we as Masons would not dare think about twenty-five or thirty years ago. Because of changing times and because of the present-day conditions we must adjust ourselves to meet these changes.

"The original pattern of Masonry hasn't changed one iota—it is the same as it was centuries ago, but then perhaps we have not brought ourselves up-to-date."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Ben H. Hall.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Lyle R. Melvin.

Indiana

The 117th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Indiana was held at Fort Wayne, October 26 and 27, 1962.

Chapters 105; membership December 31, 1962—25,892; net loss 430.

Grand High Priest—M.E. Comp. John D. Lombard.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Earl B. Forney.

Many distinguished guests from other jurisdictions and Masonic bodies were cordially received and welcomed by the Grand High Priest.

It is again significant that we find the Grand High Priest reporting in his address:

"Two meetings that I attended this year will be of interest to this Grand Chapter. The General Grand Chapter held a regional conference in Chicago on November 18, 1961, composed of Grand Chapter officers and Past Grand officers from Ohio, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Missouri. Ex. Comp. Roger K. Becker, General Grand Guard and P.G.H.P. of Indiana, presided at this meeting. The General Grand High Priest, E. A. Martini, was present and spoke at the dinner. I was honored by being asked to deliver a paper at this meeting. This paper was published in the York Rite News. It was my conclusion, at the close of this conference, that everyone there was agreed that we are dealing in a good product and that we belive in it, but we are not agreed on how to present it to the Masonic brethren. We also were agreed that something should be done to stop our losses. We all know the only methods that will stop our losses are good local leadership, good ritual, good costumes and good timing when presenting degrees. Keep in mind that we are competing for a candidate's time."

The Grand Lecturer also reported:

"It is regrettable that the calendar year of 1961 shows a membership loss and I remind you that had we eliminated approximately one-half of our losses by suspensions and demits we would have broken even. While we exalted 779 during the year, 738 went the demit and suspension route which seldom leads back to our door. We can and we must curtail our losses through these two mediums. Attention to detail will solve most of our problems both ritualistically and statistically."

The newly installed G.H.P. must have inspired his listeners with his acceptance address, part of which I quote:

"These are serious times in our country and our world. Masonry has never in its history had such a challenge as we face today. . . .

"As I said, I don't know the answer, but I believe I do know the right formula to get the right answer and that consists of a four-letter word, WORK. Work, not for you or me alone, but together. Let us look back to the charge in the Past Master degree, which said to us, "Self a servant, but still a master, self a craftsman, yet a ruler of the craft.'

"Today let me ask you, am I your servant or am I your ruler? Are you the servants or are you the rulers? Neither, I hope. For to do the job before us we must have the courage of a master and the qualities of a craftsman. I believe we have and together we can accomplish our job and come up with the correct answer."

And finally:

"The Masonic Fraternity itself can do little or nothing, but we the members, working together, can do wonders. In order to get results we must have the same determination our forefathers had at the Boston Tea Party, at Valley Forge or the many historic events that gave us the freedoms we enjoy today.

"These things cannot be accomplished with a declining membership, half-hearted members, Masons by dues cards only. Each of you here

assembled should promise yourselves to go back to your Chapter and get things moving, get to work, have some social functions, do good ritualistic work and prove to all that Masonry is not dying on the vine but that it is alive and active."

The Treasurer reported balance in general fund $28,937.96; in the Triennial fund $6,673.20, and securities $46,000.

Election:

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Vaughn L. Townsend.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Earl B. Forney.

Iowa

The 106th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Iowa was held at Fort Dodge April 26, 27 and 28, 1962.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Edgar H. Epperly.

Grand Secretary: Ross J. Camblin.

Many distinguished guests from other jurisdictions were in attendance.

Total membership December 31, 1962—15,718; net loss 206; and in this connection the G.H.P. reported:

"I am very sorry to report that we have a net loss of 206 in membership, but it is quite gratifying to report that we have 18 less demits, 13 less suspensions and 56 less deaths this year. But we also had 28 less exaltations, making our decrease in membership 54 less than last year. From the results of these figures it is possible that Capitular Masonry might be having an upward trend.

"If the 207 suspensions and 187 demits could have been kept in our Chapters we would have shown an increase in membership. Companions, this is a bad situation and we should make every effort to keep all Companions interested in their own Chapter so that this list of suspensions and demits could be reduced."

He concluded his address with the following, surely worthy of practice:

"The value of a smile—it costs nothing, but creates much. It is the rest to the weary—daylight to the discouraged—sunshine to the sad—and nature's best antidote for trouble. It cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen—for it is something that is no earthly good to anybody —until it is given away."

The report of Committee on Chartered Chapters records:

"This report adds another year of recession in Capitular Masonry in Iowa. This recession can hardly be termed as the fruits of our labors. Are we fully aware of what is transpiring?

"Capitular Masonry is more essential today than it was 50 years ago, because we have a heritage to maintain. Just a few generations ago our forefathers in establishing this heritage found it most difficult and trying to hold aloft the banner of Masonry in pride, dignity and above all, loyalty in attendance.

"Yet the records show that under severe handicaps, not prevalent today, they flourished and our order stands today as a memento to their untiring labors. To continue the teachings of Masonry today is to ex-

press our trust in God, in the church, in the public schools, in community pride and to encourage right thinking and living.

"We seem to enjoy mouthing the myth that there just isn't enough time for everything and that there are too many distractions. These excuses are as old as the hills. There is as much time as ever to do the things we want to do but somehow Masonry doesn't get its just share."

M.W. Bro. Leslie C. Eddy, Grand Master of Masons in Iowa, struck a most significant note when in his address to Grand Chapter he stated, in part:

"And, Companions, we do have many common problems and I do not believe that any one branch of Masonry can solve them single handed. We must join forces, plan together, talk together and above all we must work together for the benefit of all Masonry. Nothing is to be gained by pulling in different directions. We have one common goal, that of making better Masons out of the ones we now have and influencing others by deed and action to become interested in our fraternity.

"We are deeply concerned over the tremendous loss in membership during recent years. Blue Lodge Masonry has suffered a net loss of 3,500 members in the past five years. This, my Companions, is an average loss per year of 700 members, and we simply can't continue in this same pattern or we will soon find ourselves in the same position as another prominent fraternal order which, not too many years ago, had a membership of more than 85,000 and now has less than 17,000. I was sorry to hear in the report of your Grand High Priest that your organization has lost two hundred and six members in the past year."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Roy J. Eide.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Ross J. Camblin.

Ireland

Annual Report of Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland, 1961.

Membership not recorded.

Most Excellent Sydney Hanna in a letter dated January, 1962, to Right Excellent Grand Registrar J. O. Harte stated in part:

"The past year has proved a very memorable one for Royal Arch Masonry, for it has seen the Golden Jubilee celebrations of no less than four of our District Grand Chapters.

"At the meetings called to mark these occasions it was very evident, from the large numbers of visitors present, that interest in our Order is increasing. Companions are beginning to realise the value of visiting other Chapters and are reaping the benefits and cementing the ties of the companionship inherent in our ideals.

"The District Grand Kings met for their Annual Conference in November and the consensus of opinion is that the meetings are invaluable.

"The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of instruction carried out its mission successfully last year and I think the fact that several new clasees of instruction have been formed is the best tribute that can be paid to its work for the revival of interest in our ritual.

"It is my ambition to make Royal Arch Masonry worthy of its

position as the second largest branch of the Masonic Order and this will be my task.

'A Task without a Vision is drudgery,
A Vision without a Task is a Dream,
A Task with a Vision is a Victory.'

"Once more I am indebted to those Companions who accompanied me on my various visits, to all those who have made these visits memorable by their kindness, courtesy and hospitality, and last but by no means least, to my Deputy, to yourself, Grand Registrar, and to the other officers of Grand Chapter, not forgetting the staff in the office. We have indeed a loyal band to work for the furtherance of Royal Arch Masonry."

It is interesting to note that the stated Convocations of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland are held in Freemasions' Hall, Dublin, on the first Wednesday of the months of February, May and November and the third Wednesday in June at 8 p.m.

The reports submitted by the District Grand Kings (nine in Ireland, one South Africa Northern, one Natal, South Africa, one Southern Cape, South Africa and one New Zealand) show that Royal Arch Masonry is in a healthy condition and making great progress, and Ara Royal Arch Chapter No. 348, Auckland, New Zealand, reported:

"We, the members of Ara Chapter, being No. 348 on the register of Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland, assembled this twelfth day of November, 1960, in the Ara Temple, Auckland, New Zealand, at our Communication held on the occasion of the centenary of our Chapter desire to convey to you and through you to Supreme Grand Chapter our hearty greetings and this expression of our continued loyalty to Supreme Grand Chapter and to you as our Most Excellent and Supreme Grand King.

"We take pride in the fact that the original constitution of our Chapter marked the first establishment of Royal Arch Masonry in this Dominion and it is with the deepest feelings of satisfaction and appreciation that we contemplate the high efficiency and noble purpose displayed in the management and control of our Chapter by those of our members who have preceded us down the years and the ready guidance and assistance extended to us at all times by Supreme Grand Chapter."

Sydney Hanna, M.B.E., M.E. & S. Grand King.

James O. Harte, R.E. Grand Registrar.

Kansas

The 97th Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kansas was held in Topeka on March 12 and 13, 1962.

Chapters 88; membership December 31, 1961—15,676; net loss 262.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp, J. Henry Reb.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Charles S. McGinness.

The Grand High Priest cordially welcomed a large number of distinguished guests, including the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. John H. Murray. In his address he stated in part:

"I entered upon this year with high hopes that we would be able to build on the work of my immediate predecesors and stem the trend toward a loss in membership and get 'back in the black.'

"Such was not to be. Our loss in 1961 was more than in previous years.

"There are, of course, reasons for this, some of which I propose to set before you at this time.

"First of all we are an aging group. Our average age has gone up. Therefore we can expect that the death list will be bigger each year.

"We are not getting young Masons as candidates for the Royal Arch.

"We do not, for the most part, get young men to take the lodge degrees as soon as we did forty years ago.

"Today the young men are marrying early, often in their teens, and then there is government service facing them even before they get out of college.

"With early marriage comes family responsibilities. And, although their income is greater, their 'out-go' is also greater and there is not that opportunity to put some of their money and time into Masonry as formerly.

"To offset this condition the Royal Arch will have to be made so attractive and so effective that it will fall into the category of a 'necessity' in Masonry, even as most young men feel the 'necessity' of the lodge in their lives.

"The officers of your Grand Chapter cannot stem the downward trend. During the last several years that this trend has been noticeable we have had Grand High Priests of very high ability (and in that group I am not placing myself) who have worked long, hard and diligently on their task. They have written many letters of encouragement and wisdom to the Companions of Kansas and have to the utmost of their ability promoted the interests of Capitular Masonry.

"Grand High Priests have gone from one end of the state to the other on speaking tours and generally 'knocked themselves out' to promote the Royal Arch. And, again, that has not stopped the decline in membership. You have stimulated for a short time and then the 'apathy' has returned and the next year brings a report of a decline in membership.

"Our Grand Secretary has gone 'overboard' in giving us publicity and space in the INFORMATION BULLETINS of his office, and yet we lose membership. We are losing membership even in the face of the tremendous population bulge that has hit us in the closing years of this century when by the law of averages we ought to be growing.

"All the aforementioned facts have failed to 'get the job done.' And during the past year I have reached a conclusion that has been building up as I've moved up through the Grand Line. This fact has been made clear. The Grand High Priest cannot stop the downward trend; the Grand Chapter line officers cannot stop the downward trend; the entire Grand Chapter cannot stop the downward trend. And we have a fine Grand Chapter. It functions well; its meetings are models of good procedure, of fine fellowship, of inspiring addresses and of good fraternal relationship. It's truly an 'Excellent' Grand Chapter. But, when all is said and done, it has failed to increase the influence of Masonry in the communities of Kansas. Its share in the Masonic world is dying out.

"The reason for that 'dying' when all about us are over 80,000 Master Masons who have not been brought into the Royal Arch is to be found in the individual Royal Arch Masons who make up the eighty-eight Chapters

and the officers who are managing the affairs of over 15,500 Royal Arch Masions in Kansas. . . .

"We cannot impress candidates and 'make' good Royal Arch Masons with 'unknown' rituals. Rituals which in some instances cannot be read by those who are trying to confer degrees with 'book in hand.'

"Many times words are mispronounced, or words substituted, which cloud the meaning and lessen the respect of the intelligent candidate for the whole institution.

"The ignorant cannot teach the intelligent, but if we will learn our rituals, then the 'butcher, the baker and the candle-stick maker' can instruct even the philosopher in the secrets of the Royal Arch with dignity and accuracy. Our rituals are well and beautifully written and have in them a philosophy that will challenge the most erudite persons.

"The purpose of the ritual is to place in the hands of the learned and the unlearned the means to instruct and convey exact meaning that will be the same yesterday, today and throughout the tomorrows of the future. But the fact still remains that we are not good ritualists in the Royal Arch. And the reason is so simple: we just do not know our ritual thoroughly. . . .

"Companions, we have come to a point where we must decide whether or not the York Rite is worth saving, whether or not it is worth promoting; and if it is worth saving and and worth promoting, then we must do something about building up the Royal Arch. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link, and right now we are a weak link in the York Rite chain, which ought to give concern to the Council and to the Commandery, but, most of all, the Chapter itself. If we do not have a high sense of our own worth, how can we expect others to have that feeling for us?

"Companions, I have laid the case before you, I have suggested a method of helping ourselves. But again, I must say that it is only as the individual Royal Arch Mason is dedicated and consecrated to the work of Masonry will he be a good salesman, officer and ritualist.

"Only through the fervency and zeal of the workers now can you make the workers of the future full of that same zeal and fervency.

"Too many of us are tired, too many of us are sitting back and saying, 'Let the young fellows do the work.' 'I've worked for ten, twenty, thirty, fifty years, now let someone else do it.' Companions, your work in Masonry, like your work for your church, is never done. Only when, 'from your nerveless grasp shall drop forever the working tools of life,' can we leave the firing line."

One notes with interest parts of the report of Committee on Chartered Chapters and Chapters U.D. and I quote:

". . . We cannot, of course, stay the heavy hand of Death, but it is our firm conviction that we can reverse the tide of suspensions and greatly increase our exaltations and restorations. These are a matter of personal responsibility, not only of the Secretary and High Priest, but of every Companion. Note well the impressive gains made by some of our Chapters, which clearly demonstrates that competent leadership and personal interest on the part of the Companions do have a salutary effect. These two factors are so essential that if either is missing the Chapter must inevitably suffer. We do not presume to pass judgment upon the inherent capabilities of any officer, but in far too many cases the incoming High Priest is forced to fill his line with those who can be

persuaded to accept rather than from the ranks of those who might be best qualified. We urge that great care be exercised in the selection of officers and heartily encourage the inauguration of those worthwhile programs which will again bring to our Chapters the high regard of the entire community. If this be done we believe Capitular Masonry will again move forward. . . .

"Far too many of our Companions have not joined the Chapter because of any deep-seated desire for Masonic Light. Instead, they have joined an organization which has a prerequisite membership in our Order. Perhaps an agreement could be reached whereby a Companion would be required to maintain his membership in the Chapter for a specified period before becoming eligible to continue. This same manifestation is readily apparent in our lodges. It is the inescapable obligation of every Companion to acquaint himself with the affairs of his lodge, for anything which affects that great institution is immediately reflected in the Chapter. There is a tremendous missionary task to be accomplished here and only we can do it.

"Lest we create the impression that Capitular Masonry is in danger of destruction we hasten to add that the problems we face are common to all organizations from our Cub Scouts to our churches. We live in a rapidly changing world and we must be amenable to change. We must rid ourselves of our negative attitude and learn the virtue of adaptability. We are all prone to associate with those who interest us and it is the sincere belief of this committee that if Chapter meetings are given greater appeal; if competent officers are selected; if orderly progression is maintained; worthwhile programs adopted; better communications established with the lodges and ritualistic work perfected, then the Companions will attend and many of the problems we now face will soon disappear. . . ."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Elroy E. Tillotson.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Charles S. McGinness.

Kentucky

The 145th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky Royal Arch Masons was held in Louisville on October 16 and 17, 1962.

Chapters 98; membership September 30, 1962—15,124; net loss 377.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Philip T. Jasper.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Charles K. A. McGaughey.

It is, I suggest, most significant to observe that the Grand High Priest in his address said in part:

"In this report of my activities in your behalf I wish to say that most of my duties have been very pleasant indeed. However, clear sailing is not always available. I have had to do a few things I did not want to do. All in all, I believe that this year will prove to be a memorable one in the annals of masonry. A better understanding among the different groups and rites of Freemasonry has been reached by our working together to support the Grand Master in his program. I would pray that God in His infinite wisdom would work in the minds of Masons that they might realize that we are all brothers and that each representative group should cut out for itself a work worthy of notice. We should assist other groups instead of trying to take away from them. If I could say one thing I would want to take home with you it would be this: 'Unless you can

show Master Masons that you are doing something worthwhile and make them believe that they are needed and can contribute something to the outcome you will get generally just what you deserve, little or nothing. You don't have to fight any other group in order to promote your own work'."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Curtis B. Feltner.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Charles K. A. McGaughey.

Louisiana

The 115th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Louisiana was held at Lafayette on March 12 and 13, 1962.

Chapters 63; membership December 31, 1961—10,385; net loss 97.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Jack L. Stephan.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Lee W. Harris.

Here, again, in this Grand Jurisdiction we find the G.H.P. concerned with membership and apparent lessened interest, in that he reported, and I quote:

". . . Everywhere I visited I tried to the best of my ability to impress the officers and Companions with the fact that unless we keep suspensions down to a minimum we could not expect to show a gain. Our Grand Scribe and his Committee on Reinstatements have done their best and our Educational Committee has tried its utmost to help the Chapters promote Capitular Masonry.

"If Royal Arch Masonry is to succeed in this state every Chapter officer and Companion must endeavor to do more than he has ever done before. When we think in terms of our Masonic organizations and their success or failure we think of some things which should strengthen them. A disturbing element in most of our Chapters over the state is attendance, or rather non-attendance. I believe we should make our meetings worthwhile attending. We can improve the efficiency of our business meetings, arrange interesting programs and invite our ladies and have a real hour of fellowship. Above all, we should confer degrees in a dignified manner.

"If we do these things, Companions, we become laborers worthy of our hire—when our work can stand the test of the Overseer's square. Producing that kind of work demands labor under the noonday sun and not armchair contemplation alone. Let us seize the opportunity and go forward in 1962."

The Grand Secretary in a report on a reinstatement program made a potent statement which should give all Chapters thoughtful study and action in that he stated:

"The Grand Secretary received a letter from a suspended Companion living in Chicago. He said he was 74 years of age and could not find work, although he wanted to work. He did not want to lose his Royal Arch membership but, not working, he could not pay his dues.

"We encourage, we invite, we ask Master Masons to sign a petition for the Chapter Degrees and throughout his working years we accept his dues. When he becomes old, when he reaches retirement age and work is no longer there and his income reduced we suspend him. Is it fair? Is it right?

"I hope our Grand Chapter and Constituent Chapters will develop a program for the welfare, comfort and pleasure of our members."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Benjamin Frank Barrow.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Lee W. Harris.

Maine

The 137th Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine was held at Portland on May 1, 1962.

Chapters 69; membership March 1, 1962—11,807; net loss 206.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. George H. Winter Jr.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Earle D. Webster.

The G.H.P. in his address stated, in part:

"It was hoped that we would at least hold our own this year and possibly show a gain, but such just wasn' to be; and the final returns show a loss of 206 members. However, we do feel that the coming year may show a gain. Many Chapters which have been quite inactive for several years seem to have a new lease on life. More candidates, visitations among Chapters and more active participation by new, younger members seem to be having their effect. I would like to quote from a letter I received from one of our permanent members, 'A close study of the reports of our Deputies reveals an appalling indifference on the part of officers and Companions in some Chapters as to whether we continue to exist or perish.' This is a very true and pertinent statement of facts. Too many officers fail to accept the responsibility that goes with any office while too many Companions fail to attend the meetings. However, I am confident that with the apparent new lease on life of many Chapters that the strength of Capitular Masonry will increase."

The Committee on Condition of the Fraternity in its report stated, in part:

"We note with regret that the figures on average attendance (17) is very little above last year and many of these reports note the absence of elected officers in attendance at the annual inspection. Considering that the minimum of twelve officers should be present at inspections, we find that our sixty-nine Chapters had a total of 127 elected officers who failed to be present on the one convocation of the year at which their attendance would be most appreciated.

"We are pleased to note that the places of these absentees were most ably filled by past officers so that the work did not suffer. If an officer feels himself not in a position to fill his chair to the credit of his Chapter on the inspection he should at least be present on that evening. . .

"Your committee is convinced that a serious effort to arouse enthusiasm among the officers and members of all our Chapters and to promote more careful selection of officers who will attend to their duties would be of more benefit to Capitular Masonry in the jurisdiction than efforts to increase our membership alone."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Benjamin Butler.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Earle D. Webster.

Manitoba

The 39th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba was held at Winnipeg on February 14, 1962.

Chapters 17; membership December 31, 1961—2,348; net loss 33.

Grand First Principal: M.E. Comp. A. L. Lamont.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. C. J. Hutchings.

The Grand Master of Manitoba, M.W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker, gave a powerful address as will be seen from the following extract therefrom:

". . . Politically, the nerves of nations are being strained to the breaking point. We are dangerously close to the line of 'intolerable provocation,' beyond which lies a full-scale nuclear war. Economically, there are many signs pointing to serious difficulties that must be solved in Canada if we are to continue the unprecedented prosperity we have enjoyed in recent years. In these days that lie ahead our character as a nation will certainly be put to the test. Our national character is simply a blend of the individual characters of all our citizens. This is why it is of practical importance to every Canadian to support every force in our nation that will strengthen individual character.

"One of the great purposes of Freemasonry is to build character—to build spiritual temples of the souls of men. I may not know the teachings of your degrees in detail, but I have no doubt they illustrate and emphasize various qualities of good character. Would it be these teachings and this great purpose of our fraternity that give it the undoubted strength it possesses? I think only in part. After all, in the field of spiritual values there is nothing unique or exclusive to Freemasonry. The standards we maintain are supported as well by other organizations in our communities. What else is there then that adds to this vital force of Freemasonry?

"We should remember that the purpose of our fraternity is to build character in the fellowship of our brethren. Freemasonry is not a lonely art. The principles and ideals of our fraternity become real and alive only when they are communicated in an atmosphere of brotherhood. It is in this brotherhood of Freemasonry that a great part of our strength is found. Friendship and brotherly love are part of the vital force of our fraternity.

"One of the reasons why we are determined to keep attendance at our meetings on a voluntary basis is that brotherhood develops best between men who gather together of their own free will and accord to share in some worthwhile work. One of the reasons why we become members of the apparent bodies of Freemasonry is to widen our circles of brotherhood—to extend the ties of friendship between man and man. One of the reasons why all recognized bodies of Freemasonry in this jurisdiction work alongside each other in harmony is that we are joined together in friendship and brotherly love for that noble enterprise of guiding better men who will make better citizens of our country and of the world at large. A noble work indeed."

The Grand First Principal in his address recommended as follows:

"I have noted during the election of officers in Constituent Chapters that the constitution was not fully followed. This was in more than one Chapter. No official protest has been made and had a protest been made in some cases I would have had no recourse but to disallow the election. The matter has been referred to the Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence for study. Meanwhile, I would recommend to all First

Principals that they carefully handle any improper motions in the election of officers. The First Principal is fully in charge of his meeting and not even the Grand First Principal can overrule him during the meeting; however, he can later disallow any action he has taken. . . .

"August 8, accompanied by M. Ex. Comp. W. J. McGregor, I attended the executive meeting of the Conference of Grand Chapters of Royal Arch Masons in Canada at Belleville, Ontario. The principal theme was the reorganization of the conference and attempting to have all Grand Chapters participate. A full conference is to be held in 1962, following the council meeting at St. John in September. The executive is attempting to make changes in hopes of having all Grand Chapters participate. My personal feeling is this conference should be handled by the sitting Principals and should follow Grand Convocations across Canada. I would recommend that this Grand Chapter remain in the Conference and that the Grand First Principal or another delegate attend in St. John."

Election—

Grand First Principal: M.E. Comp. Sidney Bowman.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. C. J. Hutchings.

Maryland

The 165th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland was held in the City of Baltimore on May 8, 1962.

Chapters 27; membership March 31, 1962—7,362; net loss 93.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. W. Johnson Bonner.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. D. Ross Vansant Jr.

A number of distinguished guests from other jurisdictions and Masonic bodies were cordially welcomed by the Grand High Priest.

The Grand High Priest in his address stressed a continued lack of attendance at Chapter level and his concern with this and an obvious lessening of interest. Particular attention should be directed to the address of the Grand Lecturer, excerpts of which I quote:

"The Grand Chapter is not going to be any stronger than the subordinate Chapters and the subordinate Chapters are not going to be any stronger than the leadership provided by the High Priests. Let us look at the facts about our so-called leaders. The G.H.P. at the regional meetings outlined his plans to the newly installed High Priests, who had just knelt at the altar and taken a vow that they would perform the duties of H.P. Here are some of the apparent thoughts of those men at that time: to some it is the opportunity they have been working for, when they can render greater service to their Companions; to others, they are one step close to an undeserved jewel, something they did nothing to earn, however it will entitle them to more free meals and recognition when they visit; and the third group is the in-between ones. They don't even visit with other Chapters, free meals or not, and they know they are not leaders and have neither the time nor ability to do a good job and still lack the intestional fortitude to resign or drop out, even knowing it would be for the best interest of the Chapter. Until our membership at large, most of whom are not present and will never see this report, realize that but one type of man should be elected H.P., we are still going to suffer losses.

"For more than 25 years the Chapters have been rated on six points, which we believed would be a guide, by showing the weak points the in-

coming H.P. could take the necessary steps to improve his Chapter. To determine these ratings a form was prepared and sent to each Secretary who supplied the necessary information and returned it. They were then tabulated and the ratings computed. This year the Chapters are not rated. Why? Because during the long period of time in which this form was in use not over 20 H.P. were interested enough to inquire why their Chapters earned a low rating. I'll grant that many incoming High Priests knew without asking why their Chapters had a poor year. Will each of the Companions who are to serve as H.P. for the next 12 months please stand. You need not answer this question audibly, but will each of you promise that you will serve your Chapter to the best of your ability and take seriously the obligation you have taken or are about to take. For your Companions' sake please say yes to yourself and ask for Divine help to better serve your fellow men."

Election—
Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Harry F. Robinson.
Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp, D. Ross Vansant Jr.

Massachusetts

Regular Quarterly Convocations of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, Inc., were held in Boston on March 7, June 13, September 30, 1961, and the Annual Convocation December 12, 1961.

Chapters 97; membership August 31, 1961—24,060; net loss 246.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp, Stanley F. Maxwell.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. William F. Clark.

The G.H.P. first reported, in part:

"In this, my first report to you, I have tried to point up some of the problems that face us and to re-emphasize some of the solutions. It is my sincere feeling that we must have much greater cooperation and support on the part of the individual Chapters if we are to grow. I would call to your attention the fact that the place of Grand Chapter and its officers is not a dictatorial situation. This is your Grand Chapter. We can only succeed by working for your benefit and you for yourselves. This must be a cooperative effort. Let's work together, play together and unite in the promotion of York Rite Masonry."

At the September Quarterly Convocation the Deputy Grand High Priest submitted a most significant address on "Freemasonry and the Challenge of Communism" which unfortunately cannot be fully reported here but I do quote in part:

DEMOCRACY

"What do we mean by Democracy? Democracy means all of the little things of life, brotherhood, understanding, freedom and God. Democracy is a promise, a method of evolution, a maturing way of life, a conception of human relations that is rooted deep in the hearts and yearnings of many races and peoples; it means freedom under law—the right of the individual to realize his own infinite worth under orderly processes of law that are self-imposed in order to provide for and encourage to the highest degree the free developments of his own personality. Demorcacy, thus conceived, becomes a thing of the spirit, able to survive because of its belief in the supreme worth of the individual. It recognizes the capabilities and creative genius of the individual and affords to each an opportunity to reach the highest range of those capabilities within the limits of the highest good. Democracy is the heart of America and we, as Freemasons, must implant its ideals and principles deep in the hearts

and minds of our members. Behind democracy is freedom and behind freedom is the self-control of persons. Democracy and civilization, if they are to have enduring worth, must provide for the fullest expression of personality and yet achieve the art of living together.

"But these are the teachings and purposes of Freemasonry. Democracy came in with the beginnings of Freemasonry in the 18th century. In the Declaration of Independence, the various state constitutions and Bills of Rights, all the work of early patriotic Freemasons, are to be found the basic truths of Freemasonry."

And again:

"Our own beloved Past Grand Master, Melvin Maynard Johnson, succinctly stated the position of Freemasonry when he said:

" 'Neither does Freemasonry's continued reiteration that it does not mingle in politics mean that Freemasonry abandons its advocacy of principle. Freemasonry openly stands for freedom against tyranny, for the worship of God and against atheism, for the right of each human individual to seek the truth, and against intellectual slavery. Sincere men who are not bigots and not bent upon the control and domination of other men's minds will not differ upon such principles. They may differ as to the policies which should be used in carrying out those principles into effect. It is partisanship for or against policies about which sincere men may honestly differ that Freemasonry abjures.'

"Masonry is dedicated to building within ourselves, in the shaping of our lives and characters, a Temple of Truth, that temple which the Bible tells us is holy—which temple we are. The temple we are building and the lives we want all of our Companions to live calls for a steadfast belief in the existence, the perfection and the fatherhood of Deity, a conscientious and patriotic acceptance of all the duties of citizenship in the community, the state and the nation in which we are privileged to live."

The G.H.P. in his address, speaking on membership, stated:

"This is the only subject that I can think of that at the moment I would rather not talk about. We have just heard about our losses by death and in addition we lost 247 by demit and 232 by suspension. Our exaltations have been at a lower ebb than usual and as a result we suffered the worst net loss in many a year, 246.

"The situation is, however, far from discouraging for we have truly 'hit the trail' these past couple of months and I can't help but feel, with the progress already made and with the plans that we have for the immediate future, we can come up to next August 31 with a better picture. All of this is dependent on the complete support of the individual Chapters. We, as your elected representatives, can only plan for and point the way. We will aid you in every way we can but you must, in the final analysis, get the applications signed.

"This year when we established the quotas, based on actual Blue Lodge applications, we stated that each District that reached or exceeded its quota would win a new hat for its District Deputy. Therefore, Right Excellent Companion Captain of the Host, will you kindly escort to the East R.E. Companions Thomas A. Booth, Marvin E. Pierce and Floyd M. Kline.

"You men have truly been leaders among leaders and I take great pleasure in presenting these gift certificates, each good for a new hat.

Congratulations to each of you and to the Chapters under your respective jurisdictions."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Stanley F. Maxwell.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. William F. Clark.

Michigan

The 114th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan was held in Grand Rapids on October 12 and 13, 1962.

The Grand High Priest welcomed a large group of distinguished guests, including our Grand First Principal, M.E. Comp. Charles W. Emmett.

Chapters 149; membership December 27, 1961—29,355; net loss 406.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Jay H. Currier.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Orlow J. Myers.

A study of the address of the Grand High Priest reveals that he had applied himself with industry and his visitations within his jurisdiction and elsewhere are worthy of pattern by many. His suggestions on Grand Chapter protocol and procedure were most timely.

One finds interest in the report of Committee on Public Relations, indeed its 24th annual one particularly, and I quote:

"Prosperous times are still in store for the Chapter which uses every method to stimulate activity, which is actually the life-blood of any organization. There is still an abundance of candidate material for those who desire to spread the gospel of Royal Arch Masonry. This can be done initially by a greater diversity of programs and each High Priest should be ready, on taking office, to present a series of clearcut, interesting programs. Such a course will obviate the necessity of having to admit that he belongs to a dead organization.

"The progressive High Priest does not need to be told that he, more than any other factor, is the measure upon which the success or failure of his Chapter is based. Moreover, he doesn't need a magician to inform him that it is almost impossible to inveigle a prospective candidate to join an organization which has little or nothing to offer."

Finance Committee reported net worth August 31, 1962—$91,809.35.

Election—

Grand High Priest—M.E. Comp. Harry Moak.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Orlow J. Myers.

Mississippi

The 114th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Mississippi Royal Arch Masons was held at Jackson on May 9, 1962.

Chapters 57; membership December 31, 1961—10,605; net loss 122.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. L. S. Russ.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Cecil A. Thorn.

The G.H.P. in his address expressed concern with membership in that he stated, in part:

'. . . Suffice it to say that the disturbing factor in our Grand Chapter is that 33 of our Chapters lost members, three broke even and 22 showed a gain and in these gains only two were in two digit figures.

"Suspensions for non-payment of dues is the chief cause of this loss and we in Grand Chapter must find some way to assist our Chapters in decreasing the losses from this cause. Perhaps we should stress the forming of a 'Membership Committee' in each Chapter with its main purpose of helping secure petitions and the secretary in collecting dues. It is often the case that some Companion, other than the secretary, can see a member and collect his dues. Therefore, all of our Chapter officers should take an active part in this important duty and offer the secretary all possible help. Also I fear our secretaries are waiting until late in the year to push for collection of dues. This important duty should be done in the first quarter of the new year.

". . . I feel a majority of our Chapters are not moving along progressively and are depending on a few Companions for their ritualistic work. They are not dividing this up among their members so that more of their Companions would have an active part in their Chapter and thereby take greater interest in its growth and progress. I believe all Chapters need more practice work in our degrees and thereby improve their work which in turn will make the degrees more impressive for the candidate, create in him a desire to return and have his friends take our degrees. Greater interest and more practice is a sure cure for our troubles. Where this is found our Chapters are showing progress. . .

"Last year when we lost members I was disturbed, but some Companions felt that I was unduly alarmed. I was disturbed because it has been my experience in life that when a loss is shown it takes more effort to recoup that loss and start climbing again. Therefore I told last Grand Chapter at my installation that I would institute a 'Grand Chapter Achievement Award' that would be presented to the Chapter that made the greatest gain in membership. I hoped this would help us recover but am disappointed. . . ."

The address of the Grand Chaplain, "Characteristics of a Royal Arch Mason," is a gem of study, wisdom and information, based as it was on the words of Ezekial: "They had the face of a man, the face of a lion, the face of an ox, and the face of an eagle." The address concluded with the following:

"We must have the power to see visions and dream dreams if we are to accomplish great things in life, if we are to accomplish great things for the Craft. We must have that spirit within, the spirit of God, to make it possible for us to look beyond the things of earth to the life that is eternal. We cannot build a great fellowship nor do a greater work as Masons unless there is that life within us that lifts us above the common to the great, that lifts our visions to greater goals and achievements toward which we strive.

"And the ancient prophet was given a vision of a man of God, a member of the Craft, to us a fitting description of a Royal Arch Mason. In the words of the vision we would say in a paraphrase, 'And I saw a Royal Arch Mason, and behold he had the characteristics of an open countenance, courage tempered with prudence, a perseverance that was patient but ploddingly constant, and a vision and life that was both keen and lofty'."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. D. D. Williams.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Cecil A. Thorn.

Missouri

The 116th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Missouri was held in Jefferson City on April 24, 1962.

Chapters 104; membership December 31, 1961—22,688; net loss 214.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. William R. Denslow.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Bruce H. Hunt.

The Grand High Priest in his address stated in part:

"Every silver lining has its cloud, and I now inform you that you must there sit as just and perfect Freemasons while your Grand High Priest, gives an accounting of his stewardship for the past year. This is required by Grand Chapter law, and the same laws give you $10 per day to help relieve the pain!

"When a Grand High Priest delivers his final report he looks back over the years he has spent in line and particularly the 12 months in which he has been titular head of the organization. Few, I am certain, are completely satisfied with their efforts.

"Years ago in my home town we had a Craftsman who worked his way up the commandery line and before retiring as commander he called several of the Sir Knights together and told them that it was not until then that he realized he had not prepared himself sufficiently while in line to make a good commander. He inquired of them—very seriously—if there was any way whereby he could work his way back down the line!

"During the past year I have functioned to the best of my ability. Unfortunately for the Grand Chapter this office came to me at an inopportune time. Following the death of my father, Ray V. Denslow, on September 10, 1960, both my personal and business problems were in a state of flux. For me this has been a year of metamorphosis. It has been a period of change for the Grand Chapter itself—a new Grand Secretary, moving of the offices, new Districts and District Deputies, and no Grand Lecturer."

And also:

"How should we combat this lack of interest and loss of membership?

"First of all, I am not worried about the membership decline. It is the lack of interest that concerns me, for an active organization that maintains the interest of its members will always gain in numbers. We are faced with two problems—one is the human element and one is geographic.

"The general problems and the human element face all of us in all jurisdictions. Most of these can be cured by a very simple formula—HARD WORK! If your Chapter will elect responsible officers, organize and plan, present good degree work and have a social program, the problems of new candidates, demits and suspensions will automatically vanish.

LEADERSHIP

"We need better leadership in Capitular Masonry as well as in all other branches of the fraternity. Unless you have effective officers your Masonic bodies will decay. To find good leaders you must first have a broad base of membership in your community from which to draw. If you do not have this 'leadership pool' then your first move is to interest your

outstanding citizens in the York Rite of Freemasonry. Every respected Protestant citizen of your community should be a York Rite member.

"In the past two decades we have lost some of our best potential Masonic leaders to service clubs, junior chambers of commerce, churches, youth movements, etc., where often only one year of active service is demanded of the individual. I do not mean to imply that a Masonic leader cannot be active in many other community activities as well, but the burden an average York Rite body places on the time of its officers would well preclude a young, aggressive and talented executive from accepting an office in Freemasonry.

"Why is this?

"Most Chapters, Councils and Commanderies insist on starting a Companion 'at the bottom of the line.' In the case of the Chapter, for example, this means nine years. Now presume you offer such an office to an executive of your community. Certainly he would like the honor of being High Priest of your Chapter, with a good possibility of becoming state or even national head of the organization. However, he considers his own personal life—here you offer him nine years of servitude, during which time eight of it is spent doing little but attending hundreds of meaningless meetings—none of which call for his ability, leadership or imagination. His life is full and demanding and he cannot visualize attending do-nothing Chapter meetings for nine years. The incentive is not worth the goal.

"On the other hand he is asked to accept the presidency of Rotary, Lions or to serve as chairman of his church board or head a charity drive for one year only. Here is something he can 'get his teeth into.' Which does he accept? You know the answer. We have lost another potential leader.

"Why can't your Chapter select an exceptional leader and elect him in three, two or even one year?"

And finally:

"Your most important committee, perhaps, is your membership committee. They should have available a card index of all the Master Masons in your area who are potential candidates. You should contact these brethren not only by letter and promotion material, but most important by a personal visit. This visit should be made by Companions working in pairs.

"Do away with bi-monthly meetings if all you do is read the minutes. It is your responsibility to make every meeting interesting and worthwhile for those in attendance. In many instances it would be well to combine the stated meetings of the Chapter, Council and Commandery so that there is only one meeting a month (except for degree work). After the business of each body is completed have a short but interesting program followed by a refreshment and fellowship period. Join with other bodies for York Rite festivals. Quarry and cave meetings also prove popular.

"But whatever you do START ON TIME AND CLOSE AT A REASONABLE HOUR.

"Today we have Masonic organizations whose membership totals into the thousands. In groups of this size there can be no 'festive board' and little fellowship. We have substituted quantity for quality. In the meantime our service organizations such as Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions have appropriated our most valuable assets—the festive board, good

fellowship and required attendance. They moved in because we left a vacuum.

"We can improve our Chapters by promoting fellowship, becoming better acquainted, having social hours, visiting Chapters in nearby towns and many other ways. By bringing the wives into our yearly plans we can advance Royal Arch Masonry. Have carry-in dinners on Chapter night when the wives can attend and have a social program while the husbands attend Chapter meeting. Confer the 'Royal Arch Widow' degree from time to time. Bring the ladies to the Grand Chapter Convocations where they may become acquainted with other wives from throughout the state.

"These, Companions, are the human problems which not only face Royal Arch Masonry in our state but allied bodies of Freemasonry in almost all jurisdictions. These are problems which we can solve by a simple formula—DEDICATION AND HARD WORK. . . .

"In Missouri I feel that we are on the threshold of even bigger things. It will take time, but I believe that eventually the entire York Rite will be merged into one organization, just as the Scottish Rite. When this happens we will have realized the ultimate in the York Rite and through such an amalgamation our strength will be magnified a hundredfold.

"Companions, this not only will happen but must happen if we are to hold our place in the modern society. Our first step is to combine the Grand Chapter and Grand Council of Missouri into one organization. The second, of course, would be consolidate with the commandery. The first step could be taken at any time; the second will take a few years.

"Brethren, Companions, Sir Knights and Nobles, united we stand, divided we fall. Let's get to it.

"While on this subject I wish to say that our cooperation should also extend to the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry. We have much to learn from them. Don't knock them. Join them!"

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. A. Basey Vanlandingham.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Bruce A. Hunt.

Montana

The 73rd Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Montana was held at Great Falls on June 13, 1962.

Chapters 33; membership December 31, 1961—4,960; net loss 52.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. William E. Powell.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. William A. Thaanum.

The G.H.P. in his address made some forceful and significant recommendations, among which were the following:

"That regulations for the government of Constituent Chapters include a provision as to attendance and proficiency as a requirement for advancement of officers in line, such becoming more exacting as to the higher offices, with definite proficiency in opening, closing and other ceremonies and in the ritual of the degrees required before election as High Priest."

"That a Committee of three Past Grand High Priests be appointed to examine the number of committees now working during the capitular year as appointed to serve this Grand Chapter; to consider consolidation and reduction in number of committees and elimination of unnecessary ones. I think we have gotten too many committees and what we need is fewer but more active ones, since the Constituent Chapters can each supervise their own activities without so much unnecessary instruction from this Grand Chapter."

This Grand Jurisdiction adopted a resolution creating a fund to be known as the Royal Arch Relief Fund and that each Companion be asked to make a voluntary contribution each year.

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Charles E. Borberg

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. William A. Thaanum.

Nebraska

The 95th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska was held at Omaha on December 6 and 7, 1961.

Chapters 47; membership October 31, 1961—81,567; loss 25.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Earl W. Schultz.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Carl R. Greisen.

Eighteen Past Grand High Priests were in attendance and welcomed by the G.H.P. Many distinguished guests from various jurisdictions were received, welcomed and given Grand Honors.

It is significant to observe that the G.H.P. in his address stated, in part:

"Companions, I would not be too severe in my judgment of some Chapters and their dormant status, due primarily to the natural decline of the towns in which they are located. Needless to say a visit to many of these localities would reveal empty store buildings and the younger generation have departed to the larger cities where more social activities are available. If and when it is known that these towns have lost their appeal for expanded business or growth, serious thought should be given to induce the remaining Companions to surrender their charters and affiliate with neighboring Chapters. Their dormant status does not blend well with the progress of active Chapters, nor is it desirable for the promotion of the Capitular Rite. However, it is the opinion of many of our dedicated Royal Arch Masons that the unification of the York Rite into a smooth-operating organization is our only salvation, otherwise we will degenerate beyond redemption.

"Companions, I would not leave you with a gloomy or disparaging thought. There is a ray of light and hope, if we will all cooperate and work together to overcome the ever-increasing inroads affecting our Masonic institution. Let us all take another look and pledge our entire support to the unified York Rite program."

Also the following excerpt from the report of Committee on Nebraska Masonic Homes is worthy of attention.

"We now have 100 persons admitted, consisting of twenty-one men and seventy-nine women. This is the largest number ever admitted and means that we have almost reached its capacity. Seventy of the residents are unable to go to the dining room for meals. Many of these are bed

patients requiring special care and services. All this indicates the tremendous job our superintendent is doing to keep such a large number of residents happy and contented.

"The men range in ages from 55 to 95 years. The women's ages are from 63 to 99. One man has been at the home eight years, being admitted in 1953. The average length of residence for the men is less than three and a half years.

"Of the women, one was admitted in 1941, having been there twenty years. However, the average length of residence is less than five years. It is also interesting to note that the average age of all residents is 85 years."

Finance Committee reported total assets of $17,679.01.

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Earl H. Christiansen.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Carl R. Greisen.

The Netherlands

This Proceedings was printed in the Dutch language and your reviewer was unable to obtain a translation thereof. However, it would appear that the Annual Convocation was held on July 1, 1962.

The First Grand Principal is Professor Dr. J. Kok of Amsterdam. The Grand Scribe Ezra is Comp. K. L. Jacobs, also of Amsterdam.

There are 14 Chapters under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of The Netherlands, with a total membership of 908.

Nevada

The 88th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nevada was held at Winnemucca on June 6, 1961.

Chapters 9; membership May 1, 1961—1,043; gain 29.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Herman Loest.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. C. A. Carlson Jr.

The Grand High Priest in his memorial service said, in part:

"Who is there who does not need a light to light him on his way and who, to this degree is poor. Wealthy beyond all computation, sovereign over the works of God's hands, we stand perplexed and confused amid the contradictions and paradoxes of our own making, not capable of handling the issues of a single day without some light beyond the light of our own minds."

He also stated under caption "State of Craft":

"On the whole I find the Craft in good condition and most of the Chapters are working hard to improve their membership and attendance. Some of the Chapters were hard hit by losses due to Companions being called to the Grand Chapter above.

"Our Grand Chapter will show a net gain of 29 for the year. While this is the greatest numerical gain in many years, I trust that all Companions will keep up their efforts to more than duplicate this gain for my successor in the coming year."

The address of the Grand Orator was a gem of Masonic thinking and wisdom and some portions I quote for the serious contemplation of all:

"Of necessity we must use the utmost care and discretion in the selection of candidates. We must choose people who are qualified to be leaders of men and who are willing to take heed of our program and help us to sell it to others. Leadership in the right direction is essential at any time, but it is imperative that we have the right kind of leadership now.

"We know that any man who becomes a Mason in the true sense of the word cannot help but become a better man if he will continue to live by the teachings of our order. He is bound to be a better man, a better citizen, a morally good man, yes, a better cog in the machinery of his community.

"Can you recall when you first heard of Masonry? Can you recall also some of the men who were Masons and what you thought of them and how they were respected in the community? Masonry was held up to you as a goal to attain that could only be done by clean and upright living and high moral standards. A Mason was a good man and true. . . .

"The whole purpose of our order is to better the community in which we live and to make the whole world a better place in which to live. It is something that we can honestly and sincerely sell to all who are interested in a better way of life.

"If there ever was a time when we needed to get out and do our job of promotion or selling if you please, now is the time. You and you and you can all put a shoulder to the wheel and help put our beloved machine in motion.

"Can we count on each and every member of Royal Arch to start today in a program of furthering our cause? If the Chapter has done something for you is it not fair that you should at this time expend every effort to do something of decided value for the Chapter?

"Let us all go out from here and, with the help of God, spread the seeds that will bring our order more to the front than it has ever been in history."

Elections—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Edward L. Pine.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. C. A. Carlson Jr.

New Brunswick

The 75th Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Brunswick was held at Moncton, on June 28, 1962.

Chapters 12; Membership December 31st, 1961—1,511; Net loss 21.

First Grand Principal: M.E. Comp. Edward Elmore Lewis.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. Roy E. Crawford.

It is important to observe that the Grand Z. in his address, under the caption "State of the Craft", reported:

"From observation and extensive inquiry during the past year it would appear that Capitular Masonry in this Jurisdiction, is on a solid footing and generally regarded with high appreciation by the Companions of the Royal Craft and with respect by those outside the 'Inner Circle'. We always have had and will have those who use the 'Chapter' as a

means to an end, in their climb up the ladder toward a more or less illusionary goal, never stopping to consider the solidity and permanence of the 'step' by which they ascend. These fail to see the beauty or to appreciate the true value of the more than brotherly companionship to be found within the Chapter. From these we get material gain only, the 'fees' and 'dues'. Let these pass along. Our purpose should be to—

1st. Choose members carefully, striving for quality rather than quantity;

2nd. Confer the Degrees in the impressive manner they deserve by reason of the symbolical lessons to be derived from them;

3rd. Use particular care in electing and appointing Officers, choosing only those whom one is certain is sincere in the purpose of best serving the interests of his Chapter;

4th. Stimulate attendance. This last might seem to be the biggest problem of them all, in this and all other Masonic, or other fraternal bodies. The summary seems to be: Too many 'joiners' and too few 'workers'. It might also seem that the Grand District Superintendents should give consideration, or means provided whereby they can give joint consideration and action to stimulate interest and attendance, working in conjunction with the Ex. First Principals of the individual Chapters. We hope to see a move made at this Convocation, to that end."

Elections—

First Grand Principal: M.E. Comp. Waldo Y. Luman.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. Roy E. Crawford.

New Hampshire

The 143rd Annual Convocation of Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of New Hampshire was held at Concord, May 12, 1962.

Chapters 26; Membership April 1, 1962—3,462; Net loss 58.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Lester W. Holt.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Hiram W. Johnson.

The G.H.P. in his address stated, in part:

"In a world beset by difficulties and dangers, may we remember that Masonry with its landmarks and teachings offers one of the greatest opportunities for leadership to those who grope in darkness, and may we ever remember that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty.

"We must remember always the words of WOODROW WILSON, 'Liberty has never come from government . . . the history of liberty is the history of the limitations of governmental power, not the increase of it.'

"Our Masonic institution flourishes only in the atmosphere of liberty of the individual and the freedom of his conscience to choose his way and manner of living, restricted only by his own welfare and the welfare of his neighbors, considering always that Masonry teaches a manner of living together with other men designed to promote the greatest good for the greatest number."

Elections—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. George B. Ward.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Hiram W. Johnson.

New Jersey

The 105th Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of New Jersey was held in Trenton on May 5, 1962.

Chapters 51; Membership 8,683; Net loss 285.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. J. William Gronning.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Harry R. Pine.

From the Grand High Priest's address we note:

"We believe that there has been much improvement in the rendition of the ritual and in the leadership in many of our Chapters. Perseverance and continued interest will bring about the required improvements It is to be noted that district wide cooperation has been practiced to the benefit of the Chapters. We have urged that the Chapters be particular in the practice of the Masonic dignity, decorum, and standards so that the Fraternity may function on high and exalted levels.

"I have pointed out the fact that there has not been a new chapter constituted in our State in the past thirty-five years, and that our population has doubled in this period while our own membership has been reduced to less than half in this same period. It is my earnest opinion that there is need and place for many new Chapters of Royal Arch Masons in New Jersey at this time, and that the creation of new chapters would have a most stimulating effect on our Fraternity. Our committee appointed on this activity has done exploratory work. No concrete result has been produced; but the seed is planted, and we can have high hopes that the near future will bring gratifying results."

From the Report of the Committee on Address of the Grand High Priest we note:

"Work well done is what produces results and that result is Service.

"Service to Capitular Masonry through exemplifying its ideals and precepts brings strength and understanding to each and every Companion. Not only must we keep alive and active that inspiration but generously impart it so that future generations may sustain its glorious principles.

"Royal Arch Masonry will continue to be a source of emotional and moral strength for the world on one condition. That condition is: our Fraternity stay prosperous—our activities move forward progressively—we continue to increase our membership by understanding and friendship, and finally Royal Arch Companions fulfill their solemn obligations."

It is also interesting to observe that the Fraternal Correspondent reported in part:

"Many and varied are the excuses advanced to account for losses, but a lack of interest on the part of Officers of Chapters would seem to be the chief cause. Demits and suspensions are still a matter of concern, and while recommendations are put forward in an endeavour to keep these to a minimum, I wish to make this pungent comment:

"'If failure to pay is due to the members just being no longer interested the greater stigma is ours. It is up to us to make the Chapter so attractive that the last thing a man and Companion wants to drop is his Chapter membership.'"

The Grand Treasurer reported Balance as of April 24, 1962—$12,378.48.

Elections—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Lee B. Smith.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Harry R. Pine.

New Mexico

The 65th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New Mexico was held at Glorieta, on May 21, 1962.

A special convocation was held on May 27, 1961, for the purpose of instituting Alamogordo Chapter No. 21.

Chapters 15; Membership December 31, 1961—3,524; Net loss 24.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Harry Hunton.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Elmer H. Riemen.

The Grand High Priest gave a most forthright address and it is a pity that it cannot be quoted in full, but some parts should cause all of us to take stock and become active Royal Arch Masons. Here are some extracts:

"As a matter of comparison, let us examine the national figures for the years 1955 through 1960, which reveal that Capitular Masonry Exalted 162,310 while the Scottish Rite initiated 255,874. A difference of 92,564 in favor of the Scottish Rite. In the year 1961 the combined figures of the 15 chapters in New Mexico show a net loss of 24 while the Scottish Rite shows a net gain of 55. It is not that Scottish Rite has a better product to sell, it is the manner in which a product is sold and delivered that tells the story.

"How often have you heard it said 'Be sure to take Scottish Rite, the work is beautiful.' My Companions, the work is beautiful and I enjoy the Scottish Rite and enjoy working in one of the degrees. Members drive from all corners of the state, and at their own expense, to take part in the Degree work and at each Re-union, strive to do a better job than they did the time before.

"Companions there is not a Chapter or Commandery in the State of New Mexico that can confer all of the Degrees and Orders in the manner in which they should be presented. Should we assume or concede that all of the available talent is confined to the Scottish Rite?

"In many instances I have seen, and you have seen, a candidate in the York Rite who was conducted about the Lodge room, from station to station. Each participant in the Degree work carried in his hand, and read from, his Manual. At the completion of the degree work he was given a hearty welcome and was informed that he had now received the most beautiful and impressive Degrees in Masonry.

"Companions, the outstanding performance of a Principal Sojourner or the outstanding performance of a Prelate or any other officer may cause the work to fall flat for the want of a supporting cast. There are no small part in any degree work unless you alone make them small."

He also quoted from a report given by Comp. Fred DeVaney, Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Texas, as follows:

". . . We have witnessed an unusual growth of materialism, Communism and Romanism while we have felt a steady decline in influence and effectiveness of Masonic teachings in both public and private life.

"Where does the fault lie? Surely it lies only within ourselves. Instead of being builders and giving to the world a single united message of brotherly love, relief and truth, we are too busy quibbling among ourselves over little fraternal honors, and titles that are really quite unimportant, and waging destructive battles within our various Rites

and Bodies. 1962 would indeed be Freemasonry's Golden Year of service if all of us would fall upon our knees; divest our hearts and minds of all jealousies, and all ill-will, and re-dedicate our lives to the great God of Eternal Light. We need to re-call to mind, and take to heart, that primary Masonic lesson. 'Peace and harmony are the chief strength and support of all well regulated institutions, and more especially this of ours.' . .

"While in New Orleans on October 9th through 13th, 1960 at the triennial meeting of the General Grand Chapter, there were many lengthy discussions as to how to further Capitular Masonry, but I do not recall hearing any solution as to how to promote York Rite in general.

"The problems facing York Rite today are not limited to the confines of the new Mexico borders nor do I limit my remarks to that same area.

"What is the answer? The following are my suggestions: Combined efforts between all Chapters, Councils and Commanderies. Seek out the talent that is within our ranks. It is there. Hold annual or bi-annual state-wide festivals."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Harry B. Gatlin.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Elmer H. Riemen.

New York

The 165th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of the State of New York Royal Arch Masons was held at Albany on February 1st and 2nd, 1962.

Chapters 211 and 1 U.D. Membership December 27, 1961—31,417; Net loss 920.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. William S. Matsunaye, Jr.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. George A. Lambert.

In reporting "Condition of the Rite" the G.H.P. stated:

"Companions, upon assuming the office of Grand High Priest a year ago, disturbed by the problems confronting us, problems which to a greater or lesser degree will always confront us, I advised Grand Chapter that it would be my goal to 'strengthen and hold that which we have'; that using every method possible and every means at my disposal, I would expend every moment of time I had available, to promote, strengthen and advance Royal Arch Masonry; that together with the Grand Officers and Past Grand High Priests, I would work at the 'grass roots' of the Craft in an effort to rebuild and strengthen as many of the weak and faltering chapters as possible during the year.

"With the invaluable assistance of the Past Grand High Priests and Your Grand Officers, whose efforts in many instances were above and beyond the call of duty, we have carried this program to every part of the Jurisdiction. By special visitations, rededication and re-consecration ceremonies, anniversary celebrations, area meetings and by informal visits with High Priests and Chapter officers, we have endeavoured to implement the program. By word and by letter, we have sought to advise, encourage and strengthen those chapters asking assistance or whose need was apparent. Time alone has limited the number of chapters assisted and there remain many more chapters in dire need of advice, encouragement and assistance.

"In my travels throughout this Grand Jurisdiction during the past year, it has been brought to my attention that in many of the smaller chapters, while they can, with the assistance of visiting companions, obtain the bare necessity of nine regular Royal Arch Masons to open the Chapter, they cannot do business, receive petitions or ballot on candidates. One chapter in particular has had six petitions for some months but cannot receive or act on them because the size of the chapter and the age bracket of their membership makes it difficult to meet the constitutional requirement necessary for them to transact business. It has been urged by many chapters that for a chapter to open and transact business only five of the nine regular Royal Arch Masons present need be members of the Chapter, with all other constitutional requirements being met.

"It has also been suggested that a change be made regarding the conferring of the Mark Master, Past Master and Most Excellent Master Degrees. Some years ago this Grand Chapter permitted the conferring of all three of these degrees at the same Convocation. At the present time, of course, no more than two of these degrees can be conferred at a convocation. Many chapters are presently meeting only once a month which limits them to holding eight to ten convocations a year. With convocations set aside for rehearsals, election and installation and perhaps an official visitation, they have no free night for any other activity . . .

"In my visits and re-visits to all parts of our Grand Jurisdiction this past year, I have discussed with the Chapter Officers and companions the problems confronting them and I am firmly convinced that we must have a continuing effort and program for the rebuilding and revitalizing of many of our constituent Chapters. Changes in the nature and development of both urban and rural areas, the great flux of the population and the changing habits of business and industry as related to employment have all had an impact on the condition of the Masonic Body in the area affected. In many instances, especially in urban areas, it may be necessary for the Chapter to re-locate in the suburbs or move to an area most convenient to the greatest possible number of its members. These problems, arising from the rapidly changing environments of the present day, can only be remedied by a careful study and analysis of the facts available."

He also reported:

ROYAL ARCH MASON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

"The fund was created at our last Annual Convocation and will be considered at this session for final adoption. The interest from this fund when of sufficient amount will be used to make outright grants in scholarship aid to the children and grandchildren of Royal Arch Masons attending institutions of higher learning.

"Pending the final passage of the resolution creating the fund, a modest campaign for contributions was undertaken by your Grand High Priest.

"While no statewide appeal was made for funds, I am happy to advise you that contributions as of this date amount to $5,161.30. Of this amount, about $2,000 was received from RAMYAM, a former Royal Arch Mason Youth Program Fund.

"Upon the final adoption of the resolution creating this fund, I urge all companions to take an active part in a continuing campaign to keep this fund, founded for such a worthy purpose, ever growing."

The highlights of an address given by M.E. Comp. Edwin A. Martini, General Grand High Priest, General Grand Chapter, are worthy of note, and I quote:

"The things which we hope to accomplish is to maintain the freedom for which this great democracy was established as well as the freedom and democracy which exists in all of the free speaking and free thinking nations on this continent, this hemisphere and the rest of the world. There is perhaps a parallel between the decline of that freedom throughout the world and the decline in our membership. Somewhere along the line we have lacked enthusiasm. It is difficult to analyze why our membership should decrease in the light of an ever-increasing population.

"He believes we must grow strong in our objectives and the purposes of our organization before we can restore ourselves to the position we had in numbers up to a few years ago. The day of the large Lodge and the large Chapter numerically and even the large Commandery, if you will, is past and we must re-evaluate the manner in which we can best accomplish our objectives. It may mean changing the location of our Chapters and Lodges to suburban areas where travel is easier and where we are actually in the area in which people live. In his opinion this is the only way in which we can attract younger men into our ranks. We have to set our sights on making a place available for the young family man to go in the evening not too far away from his wife and children. That is exactly where we were when Masonry flourished."

The Committee on Masonic Education and Service reported and I quote in part:

" . . . If we are to succeed there must be a realization that membership is the life blood of our organization. We are children of a common Mother in the Blue Lodge and then we are Royal Arch Masons. May we link our arms in TRUE COMPANIONSHIP AND SUPPORT EACH OTHER IN ALL OUR EFFORTS.

"In most chapters of this jurisdiction the difference of ten members will fire the coals of inspiration and create a positive atmosphere. Add ten new members to every chapter in this jurisdiction and let the older members show true companionship by counseling them in the work and you will see Royal Arch Masonry shoot upward to the height where it should be in membership. New blood! New thoughts! New inspiration! These are the things that will result if we pay due attention to the membership problem. Membership is the one gauge we have that tells the story of our stewardship over a chapter . . .

"We are interested in training leaders. The Brother installed in the lowest office in the Royal Arch Chapter is starting up the road that will ultimately lead to a post of responsibility. He should be made aware of this so that he will bend his efforts toward learning more of the organizational matters. A leader in a chapter can well become a community leader. Qualified leaders are needed today. Freemasonry, next to the church, can become a great force for the maintenance of peace and the building of proper moral and spiritual levels in men. As the Holy Bible is the foundation of the church so are its precepts the governing law of Freemasonry. Any Freemason should be happy to stand up and be counted as such when he realizes the rare privilege it is to have membership in this great fraternity . . .

"Youth is not really a matter of years, rather it is an attitude that adjusts to and keeps pace with the movement of Life. The youthful in spirit are out to learn. When we cease to learn we cease to grow, and

ceasing to grow, we degenerate into fogeys and fossils, and such out-of-date survivals can have no place in a forward-moving civilization.

"In a sense, nothing simply does itself. Someone has to do everything that is done . . . sooner or later someone has to make final decisions. The sincerest satisfactions in life come in doing and not in dodging duty; in meeting and solving problems, in facing facts, in being a dependable person. And one of the great discoveries in life is finding a dependable person."

Elections—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Walter L. Hunt.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. George A. Lambert.

New Zealand

The 70th Annual Convocation of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Zealand was held at Christchurch, on February 21, 1962.

The First Grand Principal: M.E. Comp. Cleeve Hillyard.

Grand Scribe E.: R.E. Comp. W. G. Webster.

Chapters 98; Membership 8,083; Gain 40.

The First Grand Principal in his address emphasized the necessity of active younger members and stated, in part:

"One of the most gratifying factors I have noticed during my visits to Chapters, is the nucleus of youth prevailing in our membership. It is a desirable and natural sequence that our ranks be reinforced with youth, thus enabling us to maintain the numerical strength of our Order, and so preserve our heritage which is not only our duty but our sacred trust.

"I have noticed with pleasure the great spirit of comradeship and companionship which undoubtedly prevails, not only while in the Chapters, but outside the Chapters, often extending to the wives and families. This is a very desirable and healthy factor, and will, I trust, be fostered as much as possible in the future."

The Jubilee Scholarship Council reported that 15 scholarships had been awarded during the year of a total value of 690 pounds, which left a working balance of 1,506 pounds. It is particularly worthy of note that the report concluded:

"I am pleased to report that one of our former scholarship pupils, whom we assisted throughout his secondary school and university studies, has just been appointed Lecturer in Agriculture at the University of Montreal, Canada, where he hopes to complete his Ph.D. degree. He is another outstanding example of those who have appreciated the assistance given, and has amply justified our confidence and support. We wish him every success in his new sphere.

"Such examples as this amply demonstrate the value of our jubilee Scholarship Fund and should inspire us to continue to give it our very generous support."

That there are problems on membership is borne out by the following excerpt on this subject:

"In an attempt to stem the loss of membership through demitted members or others who move from one District to another, it was felt that some means should be developed, whereby contact could be made in the District into which the Comp. moved so as to afford contact and continuity of Membership. It has been recognised for some time that quite a number of members are lost to the Craft due to their change in address from one district to another and through insufficient interest on

the part of the District into which the Comp. moves, in introducing him to suitable Chapters. It is also recognised that a certain amount of financial stress is placed on a 'moving' Comp. and that some are not anxious to re-join immediately after their arrival in a new District as they have other domestic and business problems to cope with which tend to prevent their doing so. This, the Committee feels, is the crucial point in the continuity of membership. The Committee feels that by a suitable liaison between Chapters and the Grand Scribe's Office ,that a good deal of the loss which now occurs, could be prevented. A simple system has thus been devolved:—

1. The Chapter to whom the Comp. belongs and is moving to another District, will inform the Grand Scribe's Office of the movement. A form will be provided which will give the name of the Comp. and his forwarding address. (This could also include some recommendation concerning the Comp. himself.)

2. The Grand Scribe's Office will use another form which will be sent to a Reception Officer in each Metropolitan or Country area in which the Comp. is to take up residence. This form will have a small tear-off piece attached, which the Reception Officer will fill in and return to the Grand Scribe, acknowledging the contact.

3. The Chapters in metropolitan and country areas, to appoint a Reception Officer between themselves, whose duty it will be to contact a new arrival and acquaint him with the location, Meeting Dates, Subscriptions and other details of the Chapter, within the scope of his area. This Reception Officer is to arrange for contact with the new arrival to a suitable Chapter. When this has been done, he advises the Grand Scribe of having done so.

4. The Chapter receiving the new arrival is to keep in contact and offer him the usual privileges of a visiting Comp. until he joins a Chapter in that area. (It is recognised that the final selection of a suitable Chapter is in the hands of the new arrival himself.)

5. Notice of the change of address of any Comp. leaving a Chapter, is to be made known in Open Chapter as soon as the information is available. This gives some publicity to the Chapter itself, of such removal.

6. That the joining fee of any Comp. arriving from another District, should be waived, in other words, there should be no charge for joining fee."

M.E. Comp Ross Hepburn was installed as First Grand Principal and gave a most stimulating and educational address, part of which is as follows:

"For several years past, Grand Chapter has been very much concerned about the related problems of poor attendance and loss of membership in our Chapters. While there has been a satisfactory number of candidates joining the Chapters, there has been far too heavy a loss through resignations and through Companions being struck off for non-payment of dues.

"These losses tie up directly with the question of attendance at the Chapter meetings. The same problem has confronted the Grand Lodge of New Zealand and also many Grand Lodges and Grand Chapters in other parts of the world—but that is no reason why we should not take practical steps to remedy the situation . . .

"The best contribution which a First Principal can make to the welfare of his Chapter, and towards the success of his year of office, is

to maintain the interest of his Companions and to increase the attendance of his members at the meetings of their own Chapter. A First Principal who keeps in touch with his Companions between meetings, and takes a personal interest in their welfare, will be surprised by their response in the form of increased attendance, both at the regular meetings of the Chapter and at instruction meetings and also on his official visits.

"My remarks apply particularly with regard to newly exalted Companions and to Companions not in office. If these Companions are made to feel welcome and that they are part of the Chapter, they will attend and maintain their interest instead of absenting themselves and eventually resigning disappointed. . . .

"If interest and attendance are to be maintained, the Chapter must have a high standard of ritual work. The first essential is to impress the candidates with the dignity and importance of our ceremonies, and the second is to provide meetings which the Companions feel it is worthwhile to attend, and from which they would not like to be absent, save in exceptional circumstances. The candidates coming into the Chapters are accustomed to a high standard of ritual and ceremonial work in their Craft Lodges, and all of them—and especially those who are Past Masters —will inevitably compare the Chapter working with that of their own Lodges . . .

"In discussing Royal Arch Masonry with prospective candidates we must not fail to emphasise the fact that the Mark, Excellent and Royal Arch Degrees are part of Pure Antient Masonry, and are recognised as such by the Grand Lodge of New Zealand and that no Brother's Masonic education is complete without a knowledge of Royal Arch Masonry. Too many Brethren unfortunately, appear to think that the three Craft Degrees constitute the whole of Masonry. It is our duty as Royal Arch Masons to correct this error whenever the opportunity presents itself. The Royal Arch is not a higher Degree—it is part of Freemasonry itself . . .

"Companions who habitually absent themselves from the meetings of their Chapter lose two of the greatest benefits which Royal Arch Masonry has to offer— namely, the inspiration which they receive from the ritual and ceremonial work, and the fellowship of their Companions. The beauty of the ritual does not need to be emphasised, but many Companions are inclined to forget that it is necessary 'to keep our friendships in constant repair'. Our friendships in capitular Masonry are particularly happy and intimate owing to the smaller numbers in our Chapters, as compared with the Craft Lodges; but we can maintain these friendships only by regular attendance."

North Dakota

The 73rd Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of North Dakota was held at Devils Lake on March 29th and 30th, 1962.

Chapters 22; Membership December 31, 1961—2,741; Net Loss 56.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Delbert J. Miller.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Clifford E. Miller.

The G.H.P. in his address to the Grand Chapter stated, in part:

"There were many things I wanted to do but due to the lack of enough hours in a day and the demand of some of my time in performing my duties at the Post Office and a little health problem, time ran out on me, so they had to be left undone.

"Through it all it was my wish to be humble, fair and just, for this great office carries much power and authority, and I am only a servant of the Craft; I only hope that I can be of service to the Craft in the years to come.

"Let us pause a moment and ask ourselves two questions. What did I do this past year to spread the story of Capitular Masonry to our Brother Masons? Was I a good salesman? If your answer is negative to both questions then why not pledge yourself here and now to be a messenger of goodwill and spread the story of Capitular Masonry to our Brother Masons and to also be a much better salesman from now on . . .

"I find the biggest problem and the very root of all our troubles in Capitular Masonry in North Dakota is the lack of interest and cooperation of the Companions in the Constituent Chapters. Most places the Companions do not attend meetings and a constitutional number is not in attendance so the Chapter meeting has to be calle doff. No one wants to take an office or do any of the work. The Chapters I have visited in the last few years I found the same old faces doing all the work and holding office year after year. This is not a healthy situation. These Companions are getting older and won't be around much longer. Who is going to take over and keep the Chapters going when they have to quit or pass on to their reward? How are we going to interest the younger members to take an active part in the work and of holding office?

"The answers to this will have to come from the Chapter officers and members, for they are the only ones who can solve these problems, but action will have to be taken at once or all may be lost in a lot of the Chapters.

"At the present I find that the majority of the members are interested only in the Shrine.

"There is nothing wrong with York Rite Masonry, except the people selling it."

Elections—
Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Calvin H. Rustad.
Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Clifford E. Miller.

Nova Scotia

The 93rd Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nova Scotia (with jurisdiction over Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland) was held at Annapolis Royal, on June 23, 1962.

Chapters 27; Membership December 31, 1961—3,021; Net decrease 42, the first since 1942.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Frank Albert Vanlderstine.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. H. F. Sipprell.

The G.H.P. of this Jurisdiction was a most busy officer as will be seen by the following part of his address:

"I have to report again that I did not visit the number of Chapters I had planned. At our Annual Convocation I permitted myself to be nominated for a second term, and was honoured by re-election. At the time I had in mind that I could do better than in my previous year. On 28 June the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island, A.F. & A.M. elected me to the office of Deputy Grand Master. Under normal conditions this

would not impose duties that would conflict with my duties as Grand High Priest. For some time the Grand Master elect was ill and not able to be installed until late in September. Soon after his installation he took a turn for the worse and in the latter part of December died. This left me as the Deputy Grand Master responsible for his duties. Since my installation I have been acting Grand Master. The first part of my programme covering Grand Chapter was carried out according to plan, but I had considerable trouble trying to meet the second part.

"There was one bright spot, my ten days visit to Newfoundland where I was able to visit all Chapters but one; I apologize to Atlantic Chapter No. 30, Grand Bank. I was advised because of travelling conditions not to attempt to visit that Chapter. I am sorry that I did not make some effort, being so near them at the time."

But, he went on to say:

"A number of times when visiting Chapters I was greeted with the excuse, 'We are sorry that there are not more here this evening; we should have drummed them up.' I always informed them that I was not interested in meeting Companions drummed up for the occasion. To meet the Companions present was more pleasing to me as I knew I was meeting with those Companions who had borne the heat and labour of the day, who had the good of Royal Arch Masonry at heart. I feel that I had a good attendance at each visitation.

The Committee on the Condition of the Order reported in part:

"The Grand Secretary's report shows, for the first time in several years, a loss in membership. Suspensions and demits are indicative of the necessity of a sustained campaign to create new companions and to retain and interest the entire membership in our great and noble art . . .

"Our Senior Grand High Priest, M.E. Comp. R. V. Harris, although not enjoying the best of health, has continued to give inspiration and guidance whenever called upon and we trust and hope that ere long he will again be restored to his usual good health and spared for many years to enjoy the esteem and endearment of all our Companions."

Elections—
Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. F. C. Morrison.
Grand Secretary: M. E. Comp. H. F. Sipprell.

Oklahoma

The 73rd Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Oklahoma was held in Bartlesville on April 3rd and 4th, 1962.

Chapters 40; membership January 1, 1962—7,250; net loss 132.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. W. B. Boggs.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. James A. Lathim.

Many distinguished guests from other jurisdictions and Masonic Bodies, including Most. Wor. Bro. Homer E. Barkley, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma, were cordially received and welcomed by the Grand High Priest.

A study of the address of the Grand High Priest revealed that he had a busy tenure of office and had spent a great deal of time in visitations, particularly in his jurisdiction. He also stated:

"Just twelve months ago I was honored by being elected as your

Grand High Priest. During this interim of time I have tried to be of service to this Grand Chapter. Many objectives have not materialized and may not do so for many years. I believe the Grand Officers are welded a little closer by making definite assignments to them. Each have pledged his full co-operation in carrying out a long time program which we feel will be a benefit to Capitular Masonry in Oklahoma."

It is interesting to observe that the Grand Lecturer reported in part:

"M.E. Comp. Roscoe R. Walcutt, for many years the Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter wrote 'If any one thing is accounting for the dangerous situation in which we find ourselves, as against all other contributing factors, IT IS THE RENDITION OF THE RITUAL. The Chapter has gained the unhappy reputation of doing the poorest ritualistic work in Freemasonry.' We fear this comment applies to us and earnestly suggest to the incoming Grand High Priest that definite dates for Area Meetings and Schools of Instruction be set for the coming year. We have a number of Chapters which confer our degrees in such a proficient manner as to give us pride but, unfortunately, there are more who either can not confer all of the degrees or attempt to do so by violating their pledge and reading from the Ritual. Only the Grand Chapter through its officers can correct this condition and it can not be done in one year. When, and if, the time ever comes that each companion present can proudly recommend a Brother to his Chapter knowing that he will be pleased with the work conferred upon him, we may expect Royal Arch Masonry to again begin to grow and the Keystone become an honored emblem."

Elections—
Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. George W. Evans.
Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. James A. Lathim.

Oregon

The 101st Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Oregon was held at Portland, on April 11th and 12th, 1962.

Chapters 47; Membership December 31, 1961—8,186; Loss 53.

Grand High Priest: M. E. Comp. Vilas J. Brown.

Grand Recorder: M.E. Comp. Richard H. Tusant.

The G.H.P. presented a stimulating and convincing address as will be seen from the following extracts therefrom:

"Capitular Freemasonry in this jurisdiction lost 93 members during the year ending December 31, 1961. Although this is a negative situation, I feel that the overall picture is heartening, as many chapters that have been dormant are showing activity. Leadership among the constituent chapters appears to be more inspired. The indications are that the program of promotion and publicity inaugurated last year, followed by the project of education as to what we represent has done much to promote membership and enthusiasm.

"Dormant chapters have been a problem for several years. This year action has been taken to relieve the situation in the case of two of those unfortunate chapters. The death of a chapter is a sad affair and it is my thought that when a trend toward dormancy is noted in a constituent chapter that the grand chapter should immediately take steps to assist the weakening member in overcoming the problem causing the decay . . .

"During the past several years this jurisdiction has spent considerable money sending emissaries to meetings in search of some magic formula that would revitalize the Royal Craft. In this we must understand that the institution is not in need of revitalization. The same basic precepts have been good down through thousands of years and if men have failed them it is no fault of the teachings. The fault, if any, can only be with the teachers. It is my opinion that most of the money spent for these trips could have been utilized to good advantage in this jursidiction. I believe we have the ingredients with us to lift us to the proper level.

"Many papers submitted at these meetings have been well written, but, for the most part, the subject matter is of little value. The fact remains that none of the so-called panaceas have solved our problems.

"The only formula that appeals to me is one bearing the principal ingredient of WORK . . . MASONIC WORK. I find that the average brother in the Symbolic Lodge is disappointed, in that Masonry seems to stop with the conferral of degrees. If he proceeds further, he is disappointed at the end of every section. The degrees are fine, but when they are over, the new brother is like a voyager in the night who has had the experience of one short day of light, only to have the darkness of night close its folds tightly about him again.

"The rulers of Freemasonry seem to have reached a point where they are more interested in the impressiveness of numbers, rather than in MASONIC DEEDS . . .

"There was never greater need for masonic deeds and works. We need inspired masonic leaders who believe and project themselves into the purpose of Freemasonry . . . not those who go about mourning about the political situations in the world. We are a religious brotherhood and not a political institution, although we have those who would subvert our purpose to their own ends. We are an institution dedicated to the moral and spiritual values of men. It is our strict charge to keep a light burning in a darkened world.

"My companions, the magic formula for the advancement of Freemasonry lies within our hearts, whatever be our jurisdiction, lodge, chapter or community. It lies in our unselfishness to the great cause of humanity within reach of our own doorsteps."

The address of the Grand Orator was most challenging in that he stated, "No organization without a positive project has prospered." And then he set a project as follows:

"The project we propose is a 200-room Royal Arch Convalescent Hospital. This Royal Arch Convalescent Hospital will not be just another rest home. We believe it will be unique because in addition to qualified medical and care, the patient will enjoy complete privacy with pleasant surroundings. In addition to this, and the feature which sets this convalescent hospital so far ahead of anything yet proposed, is a mass communication system with individual speakers in every room enabling the patient to listen, at his convenience, to the reading of the entire Holy Bible."

The Grand Orator then submitted complete plans and costs of such a project and how it could be financed.

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Simeon H. Sawyer.
Grand Recorder: M.E. Comp. Richard H. Tusant.

Pennsylvania

Quarterly Communication of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging was held at Philadelphia, March 2, 1961.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Maurice T. White.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. John C. F. Kitselman.

The Grand Secretary reported number of Chapters 148; number of Mark Lodge 2. Chapter membership as of December 27, 1960—39,943, a net loss of 623; membership of the 2 Mark Lodges 67.

Further Quarterly Communications were held on June 8th, Sept. 7th and Dec. 7th, 1961 and full reports submitted at the latter.

The G.H.P. in his address obviously had given unstintingly of his time and talents but expressed concern with the condition of some chapters in that he stated, and I quote:

"Many of our Chapters are indeed active and on a sound foundation, as noted from the visitation reports received from the Deputies. Unfortunately many of the reports indicate that such is not the case and many Chapters are dormant. This, in my opinion, is largely due to poor leadership, lack of sincere interest and complacency existing among their officers. Hence, each Deputy must redouble his efforts to instill in the heart and mind of all the Officers of the Chapters in his District a sincere desire to fulfill the obligations they have assumed. It is also the inherent duty of each Deputy to assist the Chapters, whenever and wherever necessary, in the ritualistic work and also assist in planning the activities when deemed necessary. I am deeply grateful for the assistance and support I have received from the Deputies."

And again:

"I sadly relate that the membership in our Chapters is still on the decline. I am most fearful that at the end of the year, when the final tally is made, Pennsylvania will again show a loss. We active and Capitular Masons in this Jurisdiction should make every possible effort to combat this damaging and embarrassing situation and do all in our power to stem the losses so that we may, for the first time in several years, show a gain in 1962.

"I am equally concerned — possibly more so, as should be each and every officer of our constituent Chapters — about the very poor attendance at our Chapter meetings. When the attendance is increased, so proportionately will petitions be increased in numbers; but I am fearful that increased attendance will not be possible unless the meetings are made more attractive and interesting. I will continue to advocate, as I have during the past year while visiting the many Chapters, that our meetings should be better planned and much consideration be given to extracurricular activities at the Chapter meetings. I am positive that in each and every Chapter will be found Companions who would be most willing, if asked, to provide a suitable program which would be interesting, educational and worthwhile.

"With these thoughts in mind, I strongly recommend that the newly elected High Priest of each of the Chapters should appoint a program committee to assist the officers in accomplishing this end. Once we reactivate and reinterest the members we have on our rolls, and only then, will Capitular Masonry move forward. I am equally as positive that this cannot be accomplished in a single year; but if each succeeding officer will follow through with such efforts, the goal will be accomp-

lished by steadfast determination. Companions, there are so many, many things to be done to further this end and we must utilize our utmost ability to accomplish this purpose. It CAN be done; it must be done—even the impossible, but that will take a little longer.

"The question is often asked, 'What is happening to York Rite Masonry?' Are we losing our position as Freemasons in our Communities? If Freemasonry is losing ground today in any part of this free world, I say to you Companion, that it is because Masons have stopped living like Masons. It is because we have turned our backs on the Great Light in Masonry that rests on the altar in the center of our activities. We are forcibly taught in Masonry that God is ever on the side of the right, and if our cause is just, He will see us safely through. I fear that too many men today possessing the proud title of 'Mason' are not concerned with what God's Holy Word teaches. You cannot be a true Mason and disregard the laws of the land. If there is a group of people in America who should live by the laws of the land, it is the Freemasons, for we are taught from the very beginning of our Masonic career that we should obey these laws, yielding allegience to the authorities who afford us protection. If we are losing our influence, it is for reasons such as these.

"If we follow the plan that the Great Architect of the Universe has designed for us, we shall give freely of our time, our sustenance and our influence to make this a better world in which to live."

Election—
Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Maurice T. White.
Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. John C. F. Kitselman.

Quebec

The 85th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Quebec was held at Montreal on March 28, 1962.

Chapters 25; U.D. 2; Membership December 31, 1961—3,328; Net Gain 36.

Grand First Principal: M.E. Comp. H. Wall Clarke.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. H. Pickering.

The Grand Z. in his address makes many potent observations and some are as follows:

"During the past year it has been a pleasure to meet with Companions of several of our Chapters. As Grand First Principal I was anxious to get first hand information on the general condition of Capitular Masonry in our Province. There was much to encourage and inspire, much to admire and instruct and much food for thought. Due credit must be given to the stalwart band of older Companions who are always ready to aid and assist younger members with wise counsel and encouragement. The Scribes "E"—many of whom have had years of experience in office—are hard working, dedicated men. Some indeed are veritable foundation stones, bearing the whole fabric of the Chapter on their shoulders. Not only are they fathers-confessor to the chief officers but jacks-of-all trades, doing various chores which rightly belong to other offices. This situation, though poses a threat to the very existence of the Chapter for the simple reason the other officers would not fulfil the duties pertaining to their particular offices and in fact would not even be aware of them if they have been allowed to become the duties of Scribe "E". Would it perhaps be a noble act of self-sacrifice

on the part of officers of a Chapter to promote the custom of limiting the term for which any one member could serve as Scribe "E"?

"I opine that Ritual Work is given a prominence to which it is not entitled. The main purpose of our Order is not the training of Thespians, but the teaching and practice of priceless principles. Yet in so many places have I felt that Companions considered a member who is not a good ritualist could not be a good officer. Can we not put things in their proper perspective? Let our officers look to the teaching and practice of our tenets and principles as the PRIME duty pertaining to their offices and let memorizing of the ritual take a secondary place.

" . . . To assist the Grand Z in his relations with the constituent chapters, Superintendents of Districts are appointed as his personal representatives whose chief duty it is to report to him. This office of Superintendent has one unfortunate fault. It acts somewhat as a block between the Chapter and Grand Chapter and reports of conditions do not reach the Grand Z until he reads or hears read the written annual report of each Superintendent at Convocation. These annual reports, being published in the Proceedings, do not contain references to any conditions which lack cause for jubilation and so Grand Chapter is deprived of the opportunity of giving counsel and assistance to the Chapter concerned . . .

"I have given previously my impressions of some aspects of the State of the Order. It is fitting then that I offer some suggestions by way of remedy.

"To provide a reservoir of ideas I have appointed M.E. Comp. J. H. A. Morecraft Chairman of a Committee of Education with power to select his own members—the Committee to sit at will for a period of three years, reporting to the Grand Z on request. It is the intention that this Committee will develop machinery to aid and assist chapters and individual Companions in the matter of Capitular education—the precept and example of our tenets and principles.

"Several territories, while well populated with Craft Lodge members, are without conveniently located Chapters. For some time I have been endeavouring to arrange for the appointment of an enthusiastic Companion who could undertake Extension work. This appointment will not be long delayed.

"Your three Grand Principals are of one mind in wishing all Grand Chapter Officers to be enthusiastically interested in the welfare and progress of our Royal Craft in our Province. To this end we consider specific duties should be allotted to them with required attendance at periodic business meetings."

The Report of Committee on State of the Order states in part:

"It is regretted that there is a dearth of candidates for membership in Capitular Masonry. A concerted effort should be made by all members of Chapters to interest Master Masons to advance in Masonic knowledge. In spite of this lack of candidates, this Committee believes and recommends that Chapters should work all the degrees throughout the year . . .

"One District Superintendent has reported that his district believes inter Chapter visitations to be a desirable thing but has a fear of rising costs resulting from these visits, particularly in Montreal. This is to be regretted because this Committee feels that visitations of this nature could supply much needed inspiration which could result in better work and possibly more candidates. We trust this problem will be further discussed and resolved."

Election—
Grand First Principal: M.E. Comp. Bernhardt Merle MacCharles.
Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. H. Pickering.

Rhode Island

The 165th Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations was held in Providence on March 3, 1962.

Chapters 15; Membership January 31, 1962—4,518; Net loss 139.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Kenneth S. Wilder.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Harry A. Reed.

One observes with interest that the G.H.P. in his address stated in part:

"It has been my pleasure to visit Chapter meetings which have been twofold in nature. Moral Instruction and Social Activities. The first is most important and is accomplished in the Chapter room, the latter is of equal importance for it is at these social times that we are able to unite in expressing happiness and good fellowship.

"I strongly urge to those responsible for the activities of the Chapter that much thought be given to the organization of meetings, start on time, dispatch with the business on hand, and that some portion of the evening may be given to the Companions for an opportunity to fraternize with one another.

Although I have witnessed some good classes of candidates there is a dire need to increase our membership more, as I have stated many times all Chapters should avail themselves of the outstanding promotional pamphlets that are available through the General Grand Chapter, these pamphlets are great sales tools for presentation to prospective candidates for the degrees of Royal Arch Masonry. The cost of these pamphlets are extremely small and urge each Chapter to have a supply on hand for use with their membership committee."

Truly, the Grand Lecturer spoke words of wisdom when he reported:
"As the background of our Capitular degrees is generally based upon the Holy Writings it would seem appropriate before ending this report to refer briefly to some of its teachings.

"'And it came to pass that night that the word of the LORD came unto Nathan, "Go and tell my servant David," thus saith the LORD. Shalt thou build me a house for me to dwell in? When your days are fulfilled I will raise up your son after you. He shall build a house for my name.'

"No greater wisdom can be spoken about the link between generations. The miracle by which life is renewed, let those who have learned to live, guide those who are learning. Masons as men give themselves to the things they believe in, but often find they must quit with their temples still unbuilt. Instead they may teach those coming after to achieve what they aspired to. All of us are following after generations that prepared the way for us. We build on foundations they laid. We reap where they sowed. All the riches of the past have been handed to us, and along with them the blueprints for temples only we can erect. We must decide. Do we continue their desires, or do we start all over? We must remember that we decide not for ourselves alone, but as stewards for generations yet unborn."

A goodly number of distinguished guests were cordially received by the G.H.P. including M.E. Comp. Leonard E. Smith, representing M.W. Grand Master J. Stafford Allen, of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

The Grand Treasurer reported total valuation of assets as of February 15, 1962 at $22,450.23.

Election—
Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Joseph W. Johnson.
Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Harry A. Reed.

Saskatchewan

The 39th Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan was held at Prince Albert, on May 30, 1962.

Chapters 29; Membership December 31, 1961—3,058; Net loss 64.

Grand First Principal: M.E. Comp. Otto L. Doerr.

Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. A. E. Miscampbell.

It is interesting and significant to note that in his address the Grand Z. stated, in part:

"During my visits to the Constituent Chapters and to Sister Jurisdictions it has again been most forcibly brought to my attention the tremendous pressure under which humanity is working. We have the shorter week of work, but we are hard pressed to do all we are asked to do. We, theoretically, have our leisure hours when we are supposed to relax. In practice things are different and the so-called leisure does not exist. The community organizations, Home and School, charitable, Service Clubs and others are all worthy, but they all take time. That may be one of the reasons our attendance is not what it should be. As an organization it is impossible to say where to draw the line, where to stop. But, my Companions, I have noted that whatever the organization is, except K.C., somewhere in the front rank you will find a Mason or a Lady with Masonic affiliations. In other words, our Masonic teaching has not been in vain. We did not spend our time for nought. Capitular Masonry on the whole is flourishing in Saskatchewan. We have a few spots which will need help urgently, and I am always ready to assist where needed. I believe that by timely action a lot can be done to remedy this state of affairs."

The report of the Condition of Capitular Masonry has this to say on membership, and I quote:

"This is a matter of great importance and where last year we had a loss of 22, this year shows a greater loss. We have to make an effort in the coming year to get more members. Royal Arch Masonry has a lot to offer and we should try and give a big effort to increasing our membership. True we do have stiff competition from other organizations such as service clubs, television and sports."

Election—
Grand First Principal: M.E. Comp. Leslie Paine.
Grand Scribe E.: M.E. Comp. K. K. Halldorson.

Scotland

The Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland held its regular Quarterly Meetings during 1962 under the direction of the Grand Z. The

Rt. Hon. The Earl of Galloway will be remembered in our jurisdiction and held in high esteem in our Grand Chapter as an Honorary Past Grand First Principal, an honor bestowed when he was our guest at our Grand Chapter Centennial Celebration.

Your Reviewer found the reports of Scotland most inspiring and informative and again it is regrettable that space precludes only some references. At the meeting held on March 21, 1962, The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Galloway was re-elected Most Excellent First Grand Principal and I quote from the report of the Installation:

"M.E. Companion F. E. C. Holdsworth, Grand Director of Ceremonies, then announced 'I hereby proclaim Most Excellent Companion The Right Honourable Randolph Algernon Ronald Stewart, Twelfth Earl of Galloway; Baron Stewart of Garlies, late Colonel of the 7th Battalion The King's Own Scottish Borderers; Her Majesty's Lieutenant and Justice of the Peace for the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright; Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Mason of Scotland; duly re-installed as Most Excellent First Grand Principal, and I call upon all Royal Arch Masons throughout the world who owe allegiance to the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland, to pay due obedience to their newly re-installed First Grand Principal, in token whereof I now call on the Companions present, as their representatives, to signify that loyalty and obedience by saluting him three times in the Royal Arch Degree, taking their time from me.' The Companions thereafter saluted the M.E. First Grand Principal."

Following this Quarterly Meeting a banquet was held for the celebration of the Festival of the Vernal Equinox. The Toast to the Grand Chapter was proposed by Comp. Admiral Sir Frederick Dalrymple-Hamilton and is a masterpiece of wisdom and information, some parts of which I quote:

" . . . but on more than one occasion the proposers of this toast have delighted in the fact that Supreme Grand Chapter and Grand Lodge were both in very happy relations with each other. In this sentiment I can quite easily concur, but it struck me to add to that, that it would be a pretty poor look-out for the Craft in general if they were not. We are all Freemasons, we were all initiated in the same way, we all aspire to the same ideals in Masonry and we all know the Proverb—I think I have got it right—'A house divided against itself cannot stand,' and, though a Mason may quite lawfully build a house, I take it, it is no part of his business to pull it down. As all our distinguished Brethren in Grand Lodge are also distinguished Companions and vice versa I cannot see why the alliance should ever be insecure. In fact, I should expect it to go on in this country as long as Masonry persists.

"In recent years, it has been the policy of both Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter to further the cause of Masonry overseas by visitations to daughter Lodges and Chapters for which they are responsible, in fact, what I, as a Naval Officer would describe, as showing the flag in a big way, and a very good thing to do . . .

"Now it is different. These contacts, I should say, are quite invaluable. They are the rain that waters the plant of Freemasonry and forces it to grow and flourish in other parts of the world where it has not been before. Particularly in the troubled Continent of Africa, where according to our Year Book, there are 190 Lodges under the Scottish Constitution. The first of these was constituted in the year 1860, over a hundred years ago. Since the end of the last war, 77 new Lodges have been consecrated in Africa, 40 of which have been consecrated in the last seven years. This is pretty good going and seems to show that Free-

masonry is making rapid progress in all parts of what, until recently, was country under British sovereignty but is now independent. It is also making progress in those countries which are not independent but I think very shortly will be, and so it cannot be denied that Masonic influence must be strong in those parts of the Continent where it is most needed. For that we may well be indebted to a series of Past Grand Zs and Grand Masters who have spent a great deal of time and energy in visiting all the earlier Lodges and Chapters."

The devotion to duty of the First Grand Principal is best shown by the following extract from his reply:

"Now, Companions, during the past year Supreme Grand Chapter has carried out many activities in Scotland and overseas. On the evening following the Vernal Equinox last year we installed the new Grand Superintendent of Lanarkshire (Middle Ward) in Motherwell. In April, we attended the Centenary of Chapter Shamrock and Thistle, No. 87, in Glasgow and at the end of the month we went to Carnoustie for the Centenary of the Province of Angus and Mearns. In May we dedicated the Vault of Chapter Stevenston Thistle and Rose in Stevenston. In September we attended the Jubilee at Buckie of the Chapter, and we re-installed the Grand Superintendent of Dumfriesshire in Dumfries. In October we installed the Grand Superintendents of Glasgow, and Fife and Kinross in Glasgow and Dunfermline respectively, and in February we also consecrated a new Chapter in Teheran and a new District Grand Chapter in Beirut.

"Companions, in January and February of this year, Grand Scribe Ezra and I visited our Chapters in India, Pakistan, Persia and the Lebanon. A full account of our journey is appearing in the printed Proceedings, but I feel I must just for a few moments take up your time by referring to what was indeed a truly memorable tour."

It was interesting to note the addresses given by so many visitors from overseas and, again, I only wish space was available to refer to all, but I must, I feel, quote from one given by M.E. Comp. The Hon. A. F. Odulana, M.P., from Nigeria, namely:

"We, in Nigeria, had the happy experience of receiving the First Grand Principal and Grand Scribe E. The interests of Supreme Grand Chapter are part of Lord Galloway's daily life. His extensive overseas tours are proof of that. One appeal I would make to you in Supreme Grand Chapter. You read in your papers about Nigeria with its population of 33 millions (when the census results are known it will probably be found there are 50 millions), but there are only some ten or twelve Lodges and only three Chapters. Companions we should have more because we in Nigeria have one idealogy we can all share, that is Freemasonry. Whether you like it or not the hope of this confused world is the practice of Masonic principles and if it would maintain its place as the hope of this confused world then Freemasonry must grow wider and deeper in every part of the world. The number of Chapters must grow. So we who come here, it may be from Sierra Leone, or Nigeria or Ghana come to learn and to see what you are doing and tonight I am particularly gratified by what I have seen and when I go home I will tell my Companions of my experiences and of the lessons I have learned. Companion Dr. Buchan is no stranger to us. His is a household name; The Earl of Galloway, of course, is our Supreme Grand Father in Nigeria. We know The Earl of Eglinton and Winton as the Past Grand Master rather than as the Deputy First Grand Principal. He, too, has been in Nigeria. M.E. Companion Laird is known to each one of us as a counsellor, a friend and one who has our interests close to his heart. His

visit to Nigeria will not be forgotten by us. These know our needs and I am appealing to them tonight to do all that they can to see that Nigeria is not left alone. In this sublime institution so far we have been able to make a regular advancement. You have helped us to maintain the principles and tenets of Freemasonry and to see it grow wider and deeper."

This Proceedings concludes with a most interesting and informative report by the First Grand Principal on his visit to the Royal Arch Companions in Pakistan, India, Iran and Lebanon.

Your Reviewer and his wife remember with joy and thankfulness the great hospitality of M.E. Comp. Willie Laird and Mrs. Laird when we were visitors in Edinborough in August, 1962, also not forgetting the beautiful bouquet of flowers from the Earl of Galloway and the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland which arrived for my wife less than an hour after arriving at our hotel. I also was thrilled with a tour, under the guidance of M.E. Comp. Laird, through the Royal Arch Freemasons' Hall, an experience never to be forgotten. (Willie—I repeat, thanks so very much and we are proud that you are a member of our Grand Chapter.)

Tennessee

The 133rd Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee was held in Nashville, on March 26th and 27th, 1962.

Chapters 85; Membership December 31, 1961—16,771; Net gain 65.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Bruce Blair.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Thomas Earl Doss.

Here again we find that the G.H.P. felt that Chapter Officers and Companions had not accepted individual responsibilities, and that he was forthright about it when he reported:

"It has been said: 'Freemasonry today lies in the hand of the Modern Man, largely as an unused tool, capable of great achievements for God, for Country, for Mankind, but doing very little.'

"We have the finest system of morality of any Fraternity in the World. We are handling its business in a slipshod manner. In many instances we work hard to get candidates, and as soon as they are made members we forget them. We have too many meetings and many of them are conducted in such manner that they fail to attract the members and very few attend the meetings. In many cases the work is conferred in a haphazard manner; thereby the candidates do not get the lesson intended for them. Many never return. We pay little or no attention to our visitors. We as Masons should take a more active part in civic affairs.

"Ask yourself this question: Would it make any difference to my home town if my Chapter went out of existence?

"Today in our Chapters we find one Companion trying to do six to a dozen jobs, and getting very little help.

"Less than 20% of our Blue Lodge Masons of Tennessee belong to the York Rite. There is gold in our backyard, if we will take the time and have the inclination to mine it.

We may not be able to whip the World, but if we in Tennessee, in

our local Chapters will go to work as we should, with every High Priest, King and Scribe resolved to devote a year's work in his Chapter, I believe that we could get our Chapters above low-gear and more fully justify our existence. It is your ball to carry. You have been elected High Priest, King and Scribe, chosen by your Chapter to lead. Think about that. Are you doing the job? One, two or three years from now someone may pin a jewel on you. Can you look them in the eye and say: 'I did my very best'?"

And later on:

"To me, our greatest error is that we forget we are a band of Brothers or Companions. What have you done during the last year to help a Companion?

"Have you ever thought about the five points of Fellowship?

"Have you ever listened to the High Priest's charge to practice out of the Chapter the things taught in it?

"Have you taken a few minutes to be a Companion to a Companion?"

Election—
Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. David Hollis Vaughn.
Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Thomas Earl Doss.

Texas

The 112th Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas was held at Waco, on December 4th and 5th, 1961.

Chapters 232 and 2 U.D. Membership June 24, 1961—47,845; Net loss 232.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. S. A. Verinder.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Fred F. DeVaney.

This Proceedings opens with a photograph of a very large and beautiful home for aged Masons owned, operated and maintained by the Royal Arch Masons of Texas, at Arlington, Texas.

The G.H.P. stated, in part, in his address, and I quote:

"Man cannot live unto himself alone. Our dependency upon each other calls for a meeting of the minds with which we have all been endued by our Heavenly Father. Here we can communicate, one with the other, discuss our progress and or so called problems and difficulties and, with the tenets of Freemasonry as our guide, arrive at solutions and conclusions of benefit to us all. May all of our deliberations be turned to the welfare, not of us as individuals, but of the Craft as a whole.

STATE OF THE ORDER

"For the second straight year our Grand Secretary will report a net loss in membership, for this past year—232. This, coupled with the last year's 326 means that in two years we have suffered a net loss of 558. This, in my opinion is not alarming, representing as it does only slightly over 1%, but it does indicate that we need to be more objective, more realistic and more enthusiastic in the promotion of our Royal Art. Our aim is 'to dispense true Masonic light and knowledge to all less informed Brethren,' and it is important that we not only invite our Brethren to join with us but that we also make sure we carry out this obligation by

impressively conferring our beautiful degrees. There was a slight improvement this past year in the number of suspensions, not much, but encouraging. For the past two years 2,240 suspensions were reported, while only 705 were reinstated, leaving a net loss from this cause of 1,535. In an effort to secure reinstatement of suspended members, I have sent out over 1,000 personal letters urging reinstatement, but the results have been disappointing although there was some response. Many of our smaller communities are suffering from the shift in our population from rural to urban and it is still going on. This is leaving some of our smaller Chapters with but few resident members to carry on the work. Nevertheless, many of these Chapters, handicapped as they are, continue to carry on for the best interest of Royal Arch Masonry. The burden is on the larger cities to make up for the lesser activity we can expect from Chapters in the small communities. Many of our large Chapters have accepted this challenge and from the activity going on since June 24th, I am hoping that the trend of the past two years will be reversed."

The Grand Master of Texas, M.W. Bro. W. G. Proctor, in his address to Grand Chapter has this to say, and I quote in part:

"I said some things here in the Council today that has reference to my 'Awake and Rededicate.' You have some language in your Chapter that it would be well for all of us to think just a little; and that is to lead the blind by a way that they do not know. 'Lead them in paths they have not known. Make darkness light before them and crooked things straight. These things to do unto them are not forsake them.' You and I and every man in this room, when we go home and walk down the streets of our town, people look on us and say, 'There goes a man that belongs to the Masons, and he is trying in this little community where he lives to make crooked things straight.' He is trying to make darkness light before these people. The only way in this world that you and I can give that kind of impression out there is to do like Brother Leo Hart said, 'Live our Masonry day by day.' If you do that, you are first going to have to awake and rededicate yourselves to these principles."

The address of the Grand Orator is a masterpiece and some of his "Gems of Wisdom" should be remembered, and I quote:

"Masonry is the activity of closely united, selected men who, employing symbolical forms borrowed principally from the mason's trade and from architecture, work for the welfare of mankind; seeking by means of fraternity, and through the teaching instrumentalities of ritual, to build in each man, and in society at large, a communal life which is not inadequately described as a Holy Temple of Human Souls. Time, my Companions, has shown that Masonry is founded upon righteousness, justice, character, and above all, FAITH in God and our fellow man. Faith in God because what we have seen teaches us to trust the great Creator of heaven and earth for all we have NOT seen, for we walk by Faith, not by sight.

"Surely the way of Masonry is wise. Instead of becoming only one more factor in a world of factional feud, it seeks to remove all hostility which may arise from social, national or religious differences. Not a party, not a sect, not a cult; it is a great order of men selected, initiated, sworn and trained to make reason and the will of God prevail. It is true, Masonry is not a religion; but my friends it is religious, a worship in which all men may unite that each may share the faith of all.

"While Masonry is not a church it has religiously preserved things of highest importance to the church. Among them the right of each individual soul to its own religious faith. Beyond the facts of faith it

does not go; emphasis rests upon two extremely simple and profound principles — the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man . . .

"You no doubt will recall that of the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence 32 were Masons, and that 26 of the 39 signers of the Constitution were Masons. Companions, how very much we owe to those men so greatly endowed with faith, courage, wisdom and far sighted knowledge and understanding; for their deep devotion to the great principles of Freemasonry; for their fidelity to a sacred trust. A rich heritage is ours; what a wonderful privilege to live in a land of liberty and freedom, yet I wonder if we fully appreciate this great blessing or do we just take it as a matter of course. Yes, I also wonder just what those Masons would think and say if they could look in upon this country today and observe just what has happened to it.

"My Companions, what a tremendous responsibility rests upon us as American citizens, as Masons. Let us get America back on the Masonic track and keep it there . . .

"Often we hear the question: What is wrong with Masonry and why are we losing in strength and numbers? I may not have the correct answer, you may not agree with me but in my humble opinion there is nothing wrong with Masonry, its teachings or ideals; they are the same as they have always been; the trouble lies with YOU and ME my Companions."

I am also glad to quote the following excerpt by the Grand Chapter Reviewer:

"The Capitular Review by Rt. Ex. Benjamin Scott is one of the most exhaustive and complete issued anywhere in the Capitular World, and we are happy to note that it is printed separately and given wide circulation in addition to being included in the volume of proceedings. He finds interesting paragraphs to quote from almost every Grand Z. or G.H.P., and it certainly would be a shame for such a piece of work to be buried in the proceedings volume and read by very few, as is done in many jurisdictions."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Edward S. Sweeden.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Fred F. DeVaney.

Utah

The 51st Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Utah was held at Provo, May 7th, 1962.

Chapters 7; Membership April 15, 1962—1,447; Net loss 10.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Clyde W. Picht.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Bert Atwater.

The Grand High Priest reported in part:

"I am happy to report that generally our constituent chapters are in good financial condition; progress is being made with good leadership. It is our desire to see more progressive action taken to interest Master Masons in our York Rite activities. Use your Royal Arch Magazine as an introduction to these Masons to stir an interest in what the craft stands for and why they should join our ranks . . .

"We, as Masons, are proud of our Masonic order. We are rightfully proud that we are members of the greatest fraternity in the world. Let us show our appreciation by serving and giving freely of our time and worldly goods. A small contribution each year can be the means of some boy or girl realizing that great ambition of becoming great in their chosen profession."

One notes with interest that M.W. Bro. Glenn V. Culp, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Utah, in an address to Grand Chapter stated in part:

"Previous to this meeting you have asked the question why the decline in Masonic memberships throughout the country. There are many reasons that could be numerated, and when I attended the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington, D.C. last February, this posed a very important subject for discussion. We are in competition today, more than ever with the television, with the radio, but more particularly we are in competition with the economic condition of our country. It was brought out at this conference that young men today are faced with the position of trying to provide a livelihood for their families against a background of increased taxation, increased uncertainty of wages, and certainly because of the war conditions of carrying our men overseas and back again during the past decade or so we are facing an increased population in new-born children that is certainly giving the young men something more to think about than trying to get petitions."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Warren R. Tyler.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Bert Atwater.

Vermont

The 145th Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Vermont was held in the City of Burlington on June 12, 1962.

Chapters 27; membership April 30, 1962—4,072; loss 129.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Charles P. Mason.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Aaron H. Grout.

The G.H.P. in his address and referring to "Condition of the Order" stated:

"Financially the Order is sound with a budgetary gain of over $800 and investment gain exceeding $900. This, however, is of little consolation as again we had a loss in membership in spite of the stress made during the District meetings early last fall and through the monthly Newsletter. Surely we had more candidates this year but still nowhere near enough to overcome the losses due to deaths, demits and suspensions. Our Grand Secretary will give us actual figures in his report which were not available to me as I was preparing this report.

"I appreciate the efforts of many for the increase in candidates this year, but let's look also to our losses. Deaths are inevitable, but with concerted efforts on the part of the officers, through personal contacts, some of the other losses might be avoided. We still must, however, greatly increase our efforts to share more Masonic Light with our Blue Lodge Brothers.

"Some of our constituent Chapters are bordering on thin financial ice. This is due not only to lack of candidates but excessive and uncontrolled expenses and poor business management. I suggest that each High Priest and Secretary review the financial standing, income and expenses over the last several years and take immediate steps to improve them."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. H. Hermon Hertzberg.
Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Aaron H. Grout.

Victoria (Australia)

Report for period ending January, 1962, and the final Quarterly Convocation held at Melbourne on January 17, 1962.

Chapters 109; membership December 31, 1961—10,731; loss 11.

First Grand Principal: M. Em. Comp. D. Swan.

Grand Scribe E.: M.Em. Comp. H. O. Thomas.

In his communication the M.Em. First Grand Principal stated:

"Having passed through the Festive Season I trust we have all had some measure of joy and that during the period we have paused for a moment or two to contemplate the spiritual tidings of Christmas and given thanks for the privilege of living under such ideal conditions whilst so many in the world are not so fortunate to have these spiritual blessings.

"Shortly after our last Convocation, accompanied by Grand Scribe Ezra, I journeyed to the Grand Installation of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Western Australia in Perth. We received a very generous welcome and were the recipients of lavish hospitality. I was surprised to find I was the first Grand Zerubbabel of this Grand Chapter ever to visit Perth whilst in active office. We made many friends and have further cemented the friendship existing between these two Grand Bodies. We found many interesting differences in our ceremonies worthy of further analysis.

"It is gratifying to note, during our visits to the various Chapters, the satisfactory effects of the Exemplification of the Exaltation Ceremony held at the October Convocation, and, from the requests from the Chapters for this ceremony to be repeated in the different districts in Victoria, it is evident that a long-felt want has been supplied, and I feel that our thanks are due to those concerned in the production of this Exemplification for their patience and any sacrifices they have been called upon to make.

"The talk given by the Second Grand Principal on 'Haggai' at the last Convocation of Grand Chapter was much appreciated by all present and a number of complimentary reports have been received .

"Once again we as a team have been visiting many Chapters, both in town and country, and have enjoyed hearty welcomes, expressions of loyalty and abundant hospitality. A pleasing experience enjoyed at the installation of Wannon Chapter at Coleraine was the generous hospitality extended by the parents and family of one of our Grand Officers, where all the Grand Officers were made the guests of the homestead. This visit will, I feel sure, remain ever green in our memories."

Election—

First Grand Principal: M. Em. Comp. David Swan.
Grand Scribe E.: M. Em. Comp. H. O. Thomas.

Virginia

The 154th Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Virginia was held at Richmond on October 24 and 25, 1961.

Chapters 81; membership September 30, 1961—17,916; net loss 96.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Edward Hilton Everton.

Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Carl Frank Wood.

Many distinguished guests from other jurisdictions were present and cordially welcomed by the G.H.P. The Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario was represented by M.E. Comp. J. L. House, whose inspiring address in behalf of the guests is fully recorded in the Proceedings.

The G.H.P. reported on "Condition of Capitular Masonry in Virginia" as follows:

"For this part of my report I would like to quote from the report of a Grand High Priest who served several years ago: 'I have found considerable lack of knowledge of the Digest on the part of many of the officers of the Subordinate Chapters. We cannot expect the membership as a whole to be familiar with the Digest but certainly the officers of the various Chapters should have a working knowledge of the laws by which they governed.' Companions, I am sorry to say that this condition still prevails today and possibly to a greater extent. The ritualistic work that I was privileged to witness was not as good as it should have been and left much to be desired. In all of my visits I stressed the Schools of Instruction as the means of improving this part of the program. I know that our Grand Lecturer, Most Excellent Companion John Parker, is doing a marvelous job in getting around to the Chapters and working with the Companions, but some of our Chapters have been going down for so many years that it is going to take time to get them back to where they were at one time. Companion Parker needs all of the assistance we can give him."

RECOMMENDATIONS

"Companions, it is my most earnest recommendations that you return to your respective Chapters so stirred up with enthusiasm and zeal for the Royal Craft that you will do everything within your power to awaken your Companions to the duties that lie ahead—go to the Blue Lodges, secure the petitions from the newly raised brethren, elect them and confer the degrees in an impressive and dignified manner that will so impress the candidate that he will become an enthusiastic member of your Chapter. I was present at the annual meeting of a Chapter not long ago when the names of those exalted during the year were read and the High Priest asked them to stand as their names were called. Only one Companion stood but 11 had been exalted. Companions, we can, we will and we MUST get busy to keep the 'grim reaper' from putting us out of business. The deaths reported in our Chapters have increased from 283 in 1954 to a total of 377 in 1960. The number of Chapters that have reported more than 10 deaths in any one year increased from six in 1954 to 11 in 1960. The number of Chapters that have reported no deaths decreased from 10 in 1954 to seven in 1960. There has been an increase in the number of Chapters in the state from 76 in 1954 to 81 in 1960. So you can see that we must 'get on the ball' if we are going to survive."

The Grand Treasurer reported cash and securities totalling $31,-153.03, also a balance in the W. J. Hubard Memorial Loan Fund of $16,-752.66.

Elections—
Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Wilbur Applewhite.
Grand Secretary: R.E. Comp. Carl Frank Wood.

Washington

The 78th Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Washington was held at Wenatchee on May 24 and 25, 1962.

Chapters 57; membership December 31, 1961—9,153; net loss 185.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Ben Wood.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Walter H. Steffey.

The G.H.P. in his address stated and I quote:

"Whatever else may be the result of our labors during this past year I feel that one important aim has been achieved, Chapters and Grand Officers working together with a unity of purpose. Our Grand Officers began the year with definite responsibilities, and I believe they have discharged those responsibilities with great credit. Never have I worked with a finer, more dedicated group of men and I feel that whatever measure of success we have attained has been due to their efforts. It has been our aim to be an organization of service, stressing the values of cooperation and fellowship and the necessity of proper financing.

"In our efforts I believe we have succeeded in bringing better cooperation and understanding with some of the other Masonic Bodies, and I earnestly pray that work to further this goal may be continued each year by every York Rite Body as the need for it is great.

"Have I succeeded in my labors as your Grand High Priest? I really don't know. Time and you will be the judge of that, but I sincerely believe that we have made progress and I might also say, very humbly, that I believe a good foundation has been laid upon which others might build.

"It has been customary each year for a report such as mine to dwell upon the increase or decrease of membership in the Grand Chapter. In that respect may I say that I have never been interested in increasing our membership for numbers alone. My main objective has been to bring to our entire membership a more definite realization of our responsibility as Royal Arch Masons to all humanity and of the opportunity that we now possess to chart a course that will result in the application of real Masonic principles and show to the world their true values. Some may define that course as charity applied. That, too, is the way that I define it. Not a charity of lip service, but one to be measured and used as God intended. Have we succeeded in this task? That question will soon be yours to answer.

". . . But I would like to believe as we relinquish our stations to those who follow that our fraternity has been drawn a little closer together, the bonds of fellowship just a bit tighter and the knowledge of our obligations to our Supreme Master, to His children and to the Royal Arch Masonry a little bit greater. All of this to the end that we may say to ourselves and as set forth in the Ritual, 'We have worked for the good of humanity.' If this Grand Chapter makes those words come alive and true, then I could say this has truly been a year of progress for Royal Arch Masonry and with pleasure and a faith in the future join the ranks of those Most Excellent Companions who have served you well in the past. . .

"I would conclude my report with an admonition sustained by observation. To me Masonry lacks two important things, cooperation and leadership, cooperation with the bodies and leadership within the bodies. I mention these frankly because I realize my own limitations. I regret the lack of cooperation existing between the York Rite Bodies and I regret the lack of cooperation existing between the two great Rites. We have made some progress but we still have far to go. The outside world considers all Masons, regardless of body or rite, as one organization and it's way past the time that we should do the same.

"I mentioned leadership because leadership is an important requisite. It is not confined to any particular geographical location, it's where you find it, search for it. He may be sitting on the sidelines or he may even be a new member, but he is there somewhere. The man you start is the man who later rules, the time for continuity in office is past, measure your men, find your leaders and you will build the greatest Masonic organization that we have ever had."

The Grand Historian submitted a most interesting report and his research caused him to say, in part:

"While I was trying to find some topic that would be of interest to you at this Grand Convocation I had the idea to write the other Grand Chapters for information on how and what they were doing. I will read you the letter.

"Forty-three answers were received from the various states. Michigan, Nevada, New York, Wisconsin and Arizona did not answer.

"Speaking generally of the letters I believe that almost every effort we have made in Washington to gain members has been used or is being used by some of the other Grand Chapters—spring and fall festivals, membership committee, letters from the Grand Chapter to newly made Master Masons, York Rite literature. These and many more ideas have been tried, but, Companions, 37 of the 42 states that answered are losing members. The reasons for loss are reasons we all have heard dozens of times: poor ritualistic work, High Priest won't work, meetings too long, members are asleep, Grand Chapters do not help, officers have lead in their pants, too many other interests.

"There seems to be no concrete form for success as there is no plan to avoid failure . . .

"Almost all the answers stressed the belief that plain hard work would solve the problem. I ask you, Companions, what group of workmen could complete a bridge or building without a plan, without a blueprint, without a goal to achieve? Surely now we have a plan and a goal."

This Grand Chapter now assesses each Companion $1 as a contribution to its Royal Arch Masons Children's Heart Foundation.

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Edward Young.

Grand Secretary—M.E. Comp. Walter H. Steffey.

Wisconsin

The 112th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Wisconsin was held in the City of Superior on May 7 and 8, 1962.

Chapters 95; membership December 31, 1961—17,315; net loss 321.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Charles J. Stireman.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Earle G. Gile.

The G.H.P. in his address was another who expressed concern about loss in membership in that he stated:

"I am sorry to report this, but the state of Royal Arch Masonry in Wisconsin is not too pleasing.

"The problem of recurring new losses year after year has been a source of great worry to your Grand Officers for a number of years now.

"We can find little consolation in the fact that the same thing is taking place in some of the other Grand Bodies and also in other Grand Jurisdictions.

"It is time for all of us to give this some serious thought and then it is a MUST that we do something about it.

"Let me give you the gains and losses for the past five years:

	Gains	Loss	Net Loss	Total
1957	668	870	202	18,444
1958	494	888	394	18,050
1959	520	793	273	17,777
1960	607	742	141	17,636
1961	552	873	321	17,315

"It is time to realize that Royal Arch Masonry needs the candidate, the candidate does not need Royal Arch Masonry.

"I do not want to leave the impression that no progress has been made, for it has. We have some Chapters who are very active and the rolls of their membership show it can be done, but they cannot carry the load for all of us.

"I think if we all re-dedicate ourselves to the task that must be done we can soon have the problem under control."

The following extract from his address is also interesting:

GERMAN SPEAKING CHAPTER

"Progress is being made by this Chapter. They now have their new Ritual from Germany and are hard at work getting the degree work down to perfection.

"They are using the German translation of the General Grand Chapter Ritual."

And again:

"It was my pleasure, along with several of our Grand officers and other Companions, to travel to a farm in lower Juneau County and enjoy the first conferring of the Royal Arch Degree in an outdoor Temple by the officers of W. D. Niles Chapter No. 104.

"The temperature was high as the Companions sat in the grass looking down on the outdoor lodge rooms with the bales of hay for chairs and altar. As we looked around we could see the Sentry on the top of the hill guarding against the approach of cowans and eavesdroppers. The rough and rugged road, the unsafe bridge across the stream that the candidates traveled made a perfect setup for the conferral of this degree.

"The wonderful meal served afterwards, cooked in an old barn, and

the companionship that followed sitting around eating with your plate in your lap made this an outstanding day.

"The Companions of W. D. Niles are to be complimented for the fine work they did in putting on this degree in the great out-of-doors. Let's do it again."

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Merle E. Hutchins.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Earle G. Gile.

Wyoming

The 53rd Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming was held at Sheridan on September 11, 1961.

Chapters 21; membership June 30, 1961—3,180; loss 10.

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. John J. Priborsky.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Frederick Sims.

The Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario was represented by Comp. Carl S. Gilbert. A number of distinguished guests from other jurisdictions and rulers of other Masonic Bodies were accorded a welcome by the Grand High Priest, also nine Past Grand High Priests.

High Priests of Constituent Chapters discussed ways and means of making Chapter meetings more interesting thus increasing enthusiasm and attendance. It was recommended that Grand Chapter schedule a meeting of Secretaries and High Priests to further discuss this important matter and recommendations printed and distributed to all Chapters.

The Grand Treasurer reported total assets $8,262.38.

Election—

Grand High Priest: M.E. Comp. Raymond W. Allen.

Grand Secretary: M.E. Comp. Frederick Sims.

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